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SHOOT! view!

BOB Latchford makes you mad. He also makes you marvel. He can be infuriatingly ineffective. He can be stunningly sharp in the penalty-area.

The Everton and England striker is an enigma, winning supporters and acid tongued critics in equal volumes.

But at the moment he is back to his best, producing the goalscoring form for Everton that won him the first of 12 England caps against Italy at Wembley in November, 1977.

Latchford has had more than his fair share of criticism in the past 12 months, so it is only fair to report that the last man to score 30 League goals in the First Division (1977-78) has been largely instrumental in steering Everton into the top zone of the First Division table this season.

When his critics wag sharp tongues in his direction, they should be reminded of the major contribution Latchford has made to goal-scoring since he joined the Goodison staff from Birmingham City.

He has scored 106 League goals for Everton to become their heaviest poacher of goals since the last War. Joe Royle scored 102, Roy Vernon 101, Dave Hickson 94, and John Willie Parker 81.

Chance

Now, he is aiming for another Goodison milestone, Sandy Young's total of 213 League goals, scored earlier this century. Latchford reckons he stands a chance of achieving that feat, but has no chance of beating Dixie Dean's record 349 goals for the club.

Latchford's record is remarkable. Top post War scorer; third in the Everton all-time rankings; highest number of hat-tricks of anyone still active in the game; third highest career goals total of any current First Division striker behind Mick Channon and Bryan 'Pop' Robson.

Latchford's main priority, though, is to maintain his impressive form and retain his first team place.

If any good came out of his protracted dispute with Everton in 1979 it was to remind him that a footballer's life is a short one.

Manager Gordon Lee dropped Latchford after a series of bitter exchanges and he languished in the reserves at the start of last season for several weeks.

He lost form and his England berth as a direct result of not playing first team football and finished with only six goals from 26 League games by the end of April this year.

He learned a bitter lesson, which to his great credit has driven him to adopt a more professional attitude this season.

If Latchford could recapture his England place it would serve only as a bonus. Meanwhile, he is happy to lead Everton's attack in their quest for the First Division title. Such a quest may not be realistic, but it will not deter Bob Latchford.

MANCHESTER City travel to the Goldstone Ground this Saturday (October 25th) and no player will have more to prove than their former striker Mike Robinson.

Robinson, signed by City from Preston a year ago for £750,000, was released to Brighton earlier this season for little more than half that fee.

Although Malcolm Allison (right) is no longer in charge of the Maine Road club, Robinson still feels that he has to prove his former club wrong for releasing him after an unhappy 11 months under Allison's reign.

And the fact that Allison has since declared that Robinson was one of just three bad signings he made at City will only spur the Brighton striker even further.

So this weekend's meeting of Robinson and his old City pals is bound to stir a few memories,

good and bad, of events at Maine Road.

For his part, Robinson admits one thing — whatever he does against City, he won't change Malcolm Allison's opinion of his best position in a side.

"It was a conflict of ideas which led to my departure from City," said Robinson. "Malcolm Allison wanted me to do things I was not capable of."

"I am a centre-forward and that's where I play best. But Malcolm had other ideas, even though he bought me as a striker. He wanted me to play on the wing or up-front on my own."

"In the end, I knew I had to leave City to save my career deteriorating any further. It was making me a poorer player staying at Maine Road."

Robinson didn't sign immediately for Brighton — he

asked for time to think about the move.

"I wanted to stay a long time with whichever club I joined, so I had to be certain about the one I settled on. I'd have thought for a while about any club but having come here, I'm delighted with the way things have gone for me."

"Malcolm and myself never saw eye to eye, but the complete opposite is the case with Alan Mullery. We get on well and he has been smashing to me."

"He just told me to play the way I wanted to — as a centre-forward — and, above all, enjoy the game. That was a great attitude which I really took to."

Five goals in Brighton's first 11 games might indicate Robinson was right about where his best position was.

But he says: "I've got nothing to prove in this match. The fact is,

'Malcolm Allison wrecked

says Mick Robinson



even if I scored five goals against City on Saturday, Malcolm would still claim that I was better in another position.

"Like him or not, you've got to admire him for sticking to his views because he certainly does that. In the end it proved his downfall.

"But in signing for Brighton, I decided Alan Mullery could improve my game. I'm still only 22-years-old so the five-year contract I signed gives me the chance to develop my career under someone who knows how to get the best out of me.

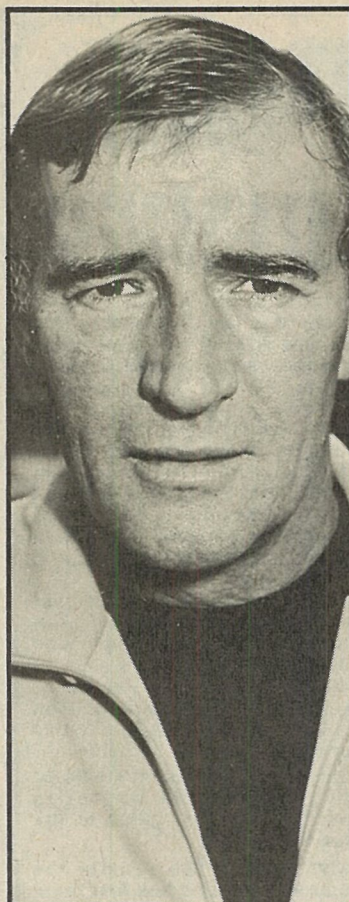
"I was upset to leave Manchester City: after all, I signed a five-year contract for them and genuinely expected I would honour it at the same time developing into a top player. But now I refuse to look back. The future is all that counts.

"The point is that with the side we have at Brighton, it's no good reflecting back to Manchester City. The side here has talent and ability and it's young. We can only improve as we gain more experience and that's a great thought."

Robinson is happy to pick up the threads of his career and helping Brighton towards becoming a power in the First Division. As he says: "Manchester City is in the past and I'm a Brighton player now.

"It wasn't a particularly happy stage of my career and I'm just relieved to be with a good club enjoying my football once again.

"Saturday will be interesting and of course, I want to score a goal against my old pals. But believe me — this match on Saturday is by no means the be-all and end-all of my season."



could have my career'

THREE young men looked certain to dominate the England senior side's midfield department just a year or two back. Critics labelled West Brom's Bryan Robson, Tottenham's Glenn Hoddle and Southampton's Steve Williams as players of the highest quality.

All three, it was said, would make the transformation from the Under-21 side to the senior side, with the smoothest of steps.

Twenty-four months later, what has happened? Hoddle made a bril-

liant debut for the England senior side at Wembley, scoring on his first appearance. He also went to the European Championship Finals.

Robson continued his steady development, following Hoddle into the senior England side.

But what happened to Steve Williams? The youngster who played alongside Robson and Hoddle for the Under 21's has yet to follow them into the senior side or

strength.

"I heard someone saying they didn't think Steve had a lot of stamina and in midfield, you have got to have that. You must last the full 90 minutes, week in and week out; you can't do it for a few games.

"I think from what people tell me, it's my all round work rate which helped me win my place in the England team. I had a good 1979-80 season and scored 11

STEVE WILLIAMS -Southampton's 'Odd Man Out'

even make the full England senior squad.

Robson knows plenty about Southampton's young midfielder. From watching him, playing with him and against him, Robson is the ideal man to assess Steve Williams and the Southampton player's chances of making the full England side.

Robson says of Williams: "Steve has been unlucky with injuries which have probably held him back. He might have got into the senior squad last season otherwise.

"But I'm convinced it is only a matter of time before he makes the full England squad. He's like Glenn Hoddle in some ways, but harder. If Steve scores regularly, England won't be able to leave him out. But he must start finding the target and perhaps building up his

goals, which helps you get noticed.

"Steve tends to drift out of games for spells when I have played against him. He needs to eliminate that and stamp his authority on matches. He's a very skilful player but needs to put himself about more, get involved in a game.

"Experienced players have told me Steve would be a far better player if he did that. He's hard, not frightened to tackle, and so he should be able to step up the commitment side of his game."

Robson believes Kevin Keegan's presence in Saints' side should help Williams enormously. "Kevin has got what Steve needs; the will to push and always get involved in a game. That attitude could rub off on Steve and might be all he needs to get into the England side."

BIG MATCHES OF THE DAY

Saturday October 25th

LIVERPOOL v ARSENAL

IN recent years Liverpool seem to have shaken off the Arsenal bogey that plagued them for so long through the 1930's and up to the time they dropped out of the First Division in 1954.

It is now six years since Arsenal gained their last win at Liverpool, where they make their 57th League appearance on Saturday.

That last victory was in November, 1974, when two goals from Alan Ball and one by Liam Brady gave them a 3-1 win. Indeed, that was The Gunners' third win in a row at Anfield, and it seemed then that they were re-establishing themselves as the club Liverpool least enjoyed meeting.

Arsenal have actually won 16 and drawn ten of their 56 League games at Anfield, but none of those victories was more satisfying to their supporters than in November, 1952, when two goals by Ben Marden and a hat-trick from Cliff Holton gave them a 5-1 win. Arsenal rattled home four goals in the second-half that afternoon when they were on the way to winning the League Championship.

Liverpool's most successful period in the long history of these encounters at Anfield was in the earliest years, for Arsenal did not register a win at Anfield until their 11th visit — in 1919.

Liverpool gained their biggest home victory over Arsenal in the opening match of 1922-23. They had won the League title the previous season and went on to repeat the performance in the 1922-23 campaign when they kicked off with a 5-2 victory over The Gunners. Dick Johnson got two goals in the first five minutes and later completed his hat-trick.

Leeds United v Crystal Palace

CRYSTAL Palace have only ever scored two goals in their eight League visits to Leeds. The first was back in March, 1923, when inside-right Joe Johnson raised their hopes by opening the scoring after ten minutes only to have them dashed in a 4-1 thrashing, and the other was a second-half goal by Alan Birchenall when they were beaten 2-1 in March, 1971.

In their three most recent visits they have lost 0-2, 0-4 and, last season 0-1.

Both teams have struggled so far this season, but since Allan Clarke took over the management at Leeds there has been an added steel to their game.

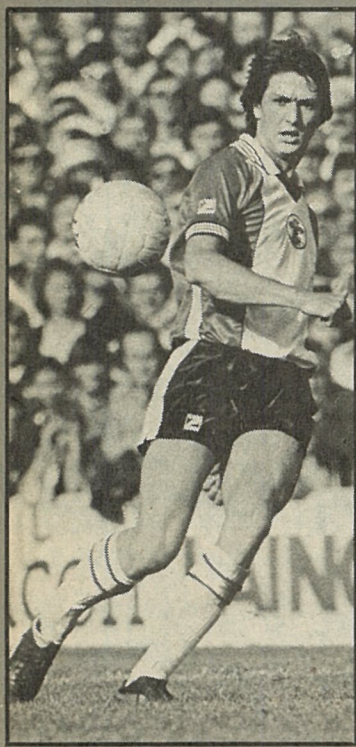
It is hard to see Palace ending their dismal run on Saturday.

Leicester City v Wolves

WOLVES have won only one of their last ten League games at Leicester, and that victory was back in December, 1971, when they recovered from being one down at the interval to win with goals by Frank Munro and Derek Dougan.

Whatever happens on Saturday, however, there is unlikely to be a repeat of the games in Wolves' disastrous campaign of 1922-23 when they were relegated to the Third Division.

During a run of seven games without a win towards the end of that season Wolves were hammered 7-0 at Filbert Street. Albert Pynegar got four of Leicester's goals.



LIVERPOOL 'making' money

IT'S A bit much to find yourself playing reserve team football when a club have paid a third of a million pounds for you.

But that's what happened to Richard Money, for whom Fulham collected a club record £333,000 in April.

Money was under no illusions when he signed. He says: "I knew I would have to start off in the second team, and I had to get over that mental barrier before agreeing to sign."

"This is the only club that I would have done it for and even so, it can be difficult at times."

"Liverpool didn't say I would have to spend a certain amount of time in the reserves before being considered. They just said it was up to me to fight my way into the team."

He has, though, managed one appearance in Division One so far. He came off the substitutes' bench to play the final 17 minutes against West Brom.

"It was marvellous to finally get out there and it was the right time to come on because we were 4-0 up at the time."

Even though he hasn't been in the thick of the first team action, Money reckons he is already a better player for his time at Anfield.

'Differently'

"It's been everything and more than I ever expected. It's hard to say specifically what it is, but they just play the game differently."

"My passing and distribution are much better. Mind you, they move so well off the ball that it's not difficult to make a good pass."

Money played in every defensive position for Fulham, barring goalkeeper, and this season he has been playing right-back for Liverpool reserves.

He prefers playing central-defender but he'd consider any role if it would get him into the side. It's a question of picking one that suddenly becomes vacant at first team level.

"The trouble here is that apart from me, there are five or six players trying to get into the side. Colin Irwin, for instance, is another centre-back who would be up for consideration if one of the first team defenders were injured."

"That's probably why they're playing me at right-back in the reserves, so that they're covered in every position. That way, they can't lose."

Three players have managed to fight their way out of the reserves and into the first team this season. Sammy Lee, David Fairclough and Avi Cohen got their chance because of injuries but were kept in when the men they had replaced were fit again.

That gave a lot of encouragement to the other reserve lads

hoping for a spot in Division One.

"I knew when I came here that there was no way they were going to change a side that had just won the title. But you just hope that someone's going to get injured to give you your chance. That sounds terrible but that's the way it is."

"The other three lads were just fortunate that the injuries cropped up in their positions. And it was nice that the manager was true to his word about keeping them in if they did well."

"In the Liverpool reserves, of course, you find yourself surrounded by the kind of people who would be stars anywhere else."

"Jimmy Case, Steve Heighway, Alan Kennedy and David Johnson have all been in the reserves this season, so it's not a bad side."

"Even so, it's no comparison to playing in the League. I'm looking forward to my next game in the senior team."

"My target at the start of the season was to get a few first team games. If I make a dozen appearances I reckon I will have done well."



OPEN any newspaper, any day of the week, and you're bound to find at least one item that casts football in a bad light. I've never known a time when the game received so much damaging publicity.

Fewer fans than ever before are going to matches — and the two generally accepted reasons for this decline are dull, unentertaining football, and hooliganism.

But I believe the blame can be placed mainly on another factor — recession that has this country so firmly in its vicious grip. Hardest hit are the so-called working class, who form the bulk of the fans.

The high rate of unemployment amongst them has caused many to either ration their match-going, picking out the plum fixtures, or cutting it out altogether.

As evidence of the recession's effect on the game, I'd point out that attendances were down on the very first day of the season, before a ball was even kicked!

Adventurous

Clubs have made genuine attempts to give fans who do come along value for money, with more adventurous, attacking football. Goals have increased — with 36 scored one Saturday in the First Division — and more teams are throwing caution to the winds.

For instance, teams who formerly went on the defensive at home against Liverpool, have this season come out to attack us. So far only Coventry played safe, with the result the game ended in a 0-0 draw that brought unfair criticism on us.

I admit the overall standard is not as high as it was five or six seasons ago, when half the First Division teams challenged for the title, as opposed to half-a-dozen now.

But here again the recession is the reason. In the face of diminishing revenue, clubs have had to

prune their costs, which means carrying smaller staffs. Many are fortunate to have 14 players who can be regarded as regular first team material.

Injuries to key players and lack of adequate reserves can cause a club to fall out of the Championship race or to struggle in the relegation zone.

As for the hooligans who deface the game, I'm convinced that this is primarily brought about by bad upbringing at home and school, a scarcity of jobs, and is a social problem the community as a whole

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must solve.

Football is merely the stage on which these thugs act out their aggressions and frustrations.

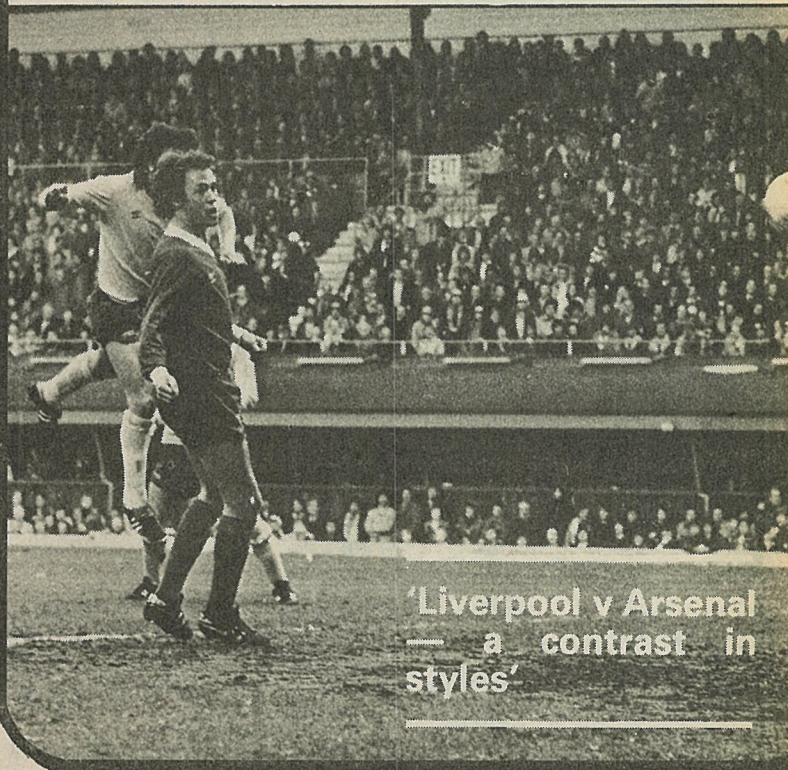
If football were banned, they would find some other way of causing trouble.

As for violence on the pitch provoking violence off it, this happens only rarely. The hooligans come to games bent on provoking each other. I've watched rival factions hurling taunts across dividing fences for the entire 90 minutes of a game. If you asked them afterwards about anything that had taken place on the pitch they couldn't tell you.

No one hates these so-called "supporters" more than the players themselves, who view them as a threat to a profession of which we are very proud.

It annoys me to see so much space in the newspapers and TV viewing time devoted to these loathsome types. They thrive on publicity, and the more they get the more it encourages them in their anti-social activities.

Fear of becoming a victim of their mindless violence has caused many



'Liverpool v Arsenal — a contrast in styles'

parents to discourage children from joining the crowds at games.

Instead, they — and many adults — tend to follow the game on TV, which in my view is allowed to screen too much football.

What with previews, matches shown midweek, and on Saturdays and Sundays, a keen viewer can get more than his fill of the game.

I know of people who "talk football" constantly without having set foot inside a ground for years.

Of course, televised games are a Godsend to the handicapped and to old age pensioners, but I feel most

The winning goal was scored by Brian Talbot, a midfield man who never stops running.

But it's their evergreen goalsaver, Pat Jennings, they had to thank for reaching the Final, which they lost to West Ham. Pat is still in the first rank of British 'keepers with his huge, shovel-like hands and unorthodox saves with his feet.

In front of him he has David O'Leary, whose praises I've often sung before in my column, a centre-half as near to perfection as he can be.

The loss of Liam Brady to Juventus

This will be the first time I've played against Portsmouth, although there'll be one familiar face amongst them — that of Frank Burrows, who played centre-half in front of me at Scunthorpe United.

I can understand why Pompey are doing well under Frank, a straight-talking, honest Scot who won't suffer cheats and can stimulate players into working for each other.

Our gate against Swindon was the lowest in 18 years, and unfortunately we don't expect the one for this tie to be much higher.

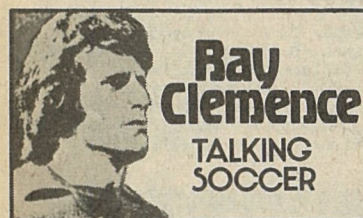
Interest in the League Cup only

hots up for the Semi-Finals, which we hope to reach at least.

Perhaps this season we'll see an end to the incredible situation where Britain's most successful club at last wins the least glamorous domestic trophy for the first time!

Ray Clemence

GATES ARE DOWN'



strongly that there is too much small screen soccer and it should be drastically reduced.

If that happens, crowds must surely increase as a result.

Not only would this boost revenue, but with more fans cheering them on, players would be spurred into playing better football.

Although unemployment in the Merseyside area has hit gates at Anfield, we expect the one for this Saturday's match to be amongst the highest of the day.

For we play Arsenal, the London side who last season held us to draws home and away in the League, and knocked us out in the F.A. Cup Semi-Final in the third replay.

has enabled Graham Rix to blossom into an expressive midfielder man capable of swinging a game his team's way.

The big new signing from Crystal Palace, my England team-mate Kenny Sansom, has disproved time after time the accusation that he can't play made by Nottingham Forest's assistant-manager Peter Taylor in a Sunday newspaper.

In my view, there's no one more fit to judge someone's capabilities

'Too much televised football'

than someone who has actually played with him, and I've become a great fan of Kenny's. He's strong in both departments: in defence where he's quick enough to recover and get in a second tackle if the first fails; and in attack where he can fill the role of a fast, quick-shooting winger.

Up-front they have one of the most dangerous partnerships in the business: Frank Stapleton and Alan Sunderland.

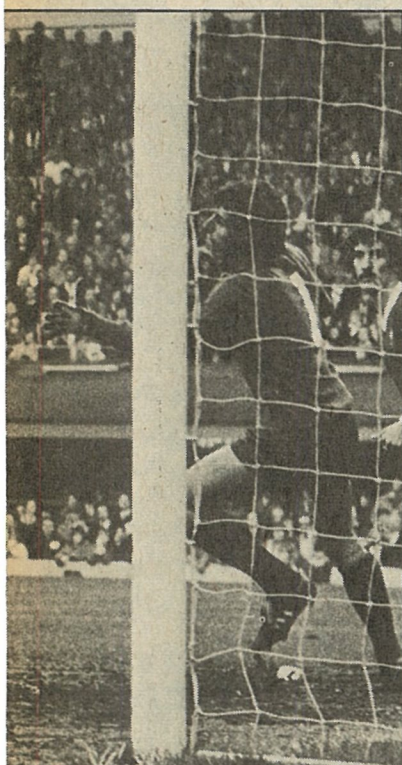
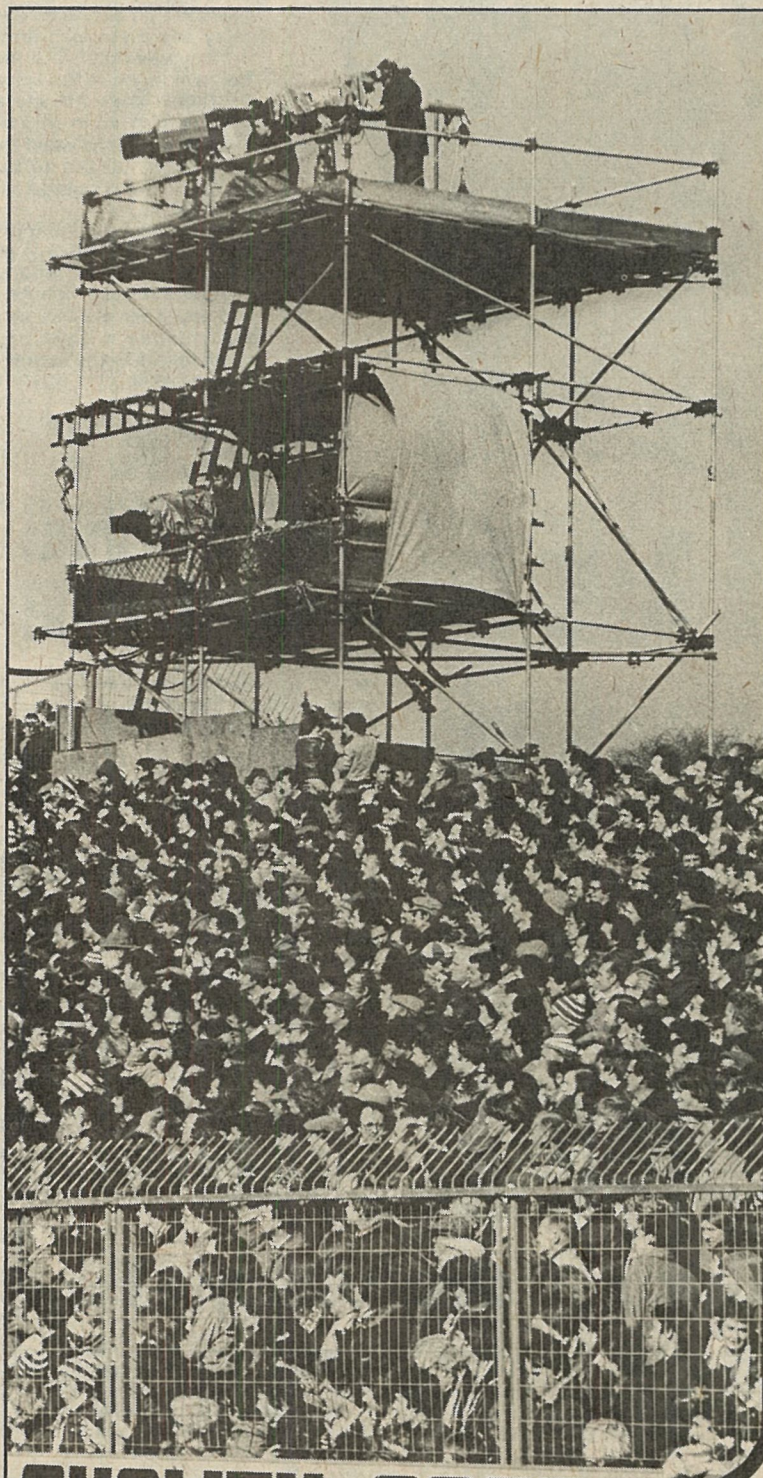
I'm not surprised to see Arsenal amongst the front-runners in the League, simply because they are so well-organised, playing a rigid 4-4-2. Unfortunately, they don't score enough goals, a vital commodity especially in these days when goal-difference counts.

We expect a highly-disciplined performance from Arsenal on Saturday, with them out to contain us and take advantage of any openings we leave.

This means few goals. Instead, there'll be a contrast in styles to fascinate the fans.

The following Tuesday at Anfield Third Division Portsmouth arrive to play us in the Fourth Round of the League Cup, and we'll be according them the same respect as we'll give Arsenal.

We failed to do this against Bradford City away in the Second Round, paying the penalty with a shock 1-0 defeat. We corrected our attitude for the return leg, winning by 4-0, and maintained it against Swindon Town — who enjoyed a marvellous run in last season's League Cup, which only ended with defeat in the Semi-Finals.



CAPTAIN MARK KEEPS LEICESTER HAPPY



JIMMY Greaves has criticised Leicester City's appointment of goalkeeper Mark Wallington as skipper. England and former Leicester player, Peter Shilton, has also voiced his doubts. But Wallington — and the club — after three months of his leadership, couldn't be happier.

Both Greaves and Shilton feel a goalkeeper is too far removed from the play generally to inspire his team, but Wallington is quick to point out: "Being behind the team gives me an excellent view of the game, and it's easy to relay any messages through to the other players."

"Anyway that is not the most important aspect of being skipper. In the Leicester team, we encourage everyone to do his share of shouting. I have found no problems at all in this team."

Wallington, the most experienced man in Leicester's young side, has the full backing of manager Jock Wallace: "He is doing a great job," he said, "both on and off the field."

"It is a difficult and important post being skipper. The off the field activities — and they are numerous at this club — can be extremely tiring. Mark has the temperament to handle all of this — and more."

"People can criticise all they like but being skipper hasn't done him any harm. I rate Mark as one of the best goalkeepers in the country and I believe that he has reached this form again since being made captain."

ROCKY HITS THE BIG TIME

PLENTY of British players have gone into American football, but none has done better than former Newcastle midfielder Ray 'Rocky' Hudson.

Hudson is in the middle of negotiating a new £1,000-a-week contract with Fort Lauderdale Strikers.

And he couldn't have picked a better time to do it after leading them to the Soccer Bowl Final against the Cosmos. They lost 3-0, but Hudson was still one of the stars.

He also finished last season as the Strikers' leading scorer — ahead of West German Gerd Muller — and was named "Player of the Year" at the club.

"I've found my little corner of paradise and life couldn't be better," says Hudson. But he vows he'll still be back on Tyneside for Christmas. "Nothing will make me miss my Christmas lunch back home."



PAT Jennings' appearance in Northern Ireland's scoreless away draw with Israel, last term, saw him equal Derek Dougan's British record of playing in five different World Cup tournaments.

Indeed, perennial Pat (above), now in his 18th international season and Ireland's most-capped ace with 83 full outings to date, has also figured in no fewer than 20 World Cup games, yet another all-time total for this record-breaking Ulsterman.

STAGGERING WARK

IPSWICH'S Scottish international midfielder John Wark could quite easily have been on the receiving end of the 5-1 thrashing of Aris Salonika in the U.E.F.A. Cup if he had extended his holiday last year.

For John, who went on holiday near Salonika to visit his mother-in-law, was offered terms by the local club... an offer he was able to refuse.

"Two men introduced themselves as being from Aris," said John. "Straightaway they asked if I would be interested in playing for them."

"I was staggered, but explained that I was under contract to Ipswich and that even if I did want to move, which I didn't, it would be impossible."

Brady's Diplomatic Fan

FORMER U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger made his name as a peacemaker and a man who could bring parties together. And it is reported from Italy that the German-born soccer fan is supposed to have been responsible for the transfer of Liam Brady to Juventus. Kissinger is reported to have told the Turin club's chief backer, Fiat boss Gianni Agnelli, that Brady was a better buy than West German star Horst Hrubesch. not that the Republic of Ireland international requires any support. He has already taken the city of Turin by storm.

THURLES TOWN and Galway Rovers have been the surprise packets in the League of Ireland this season. Thurles knocked out FAI Cup holders Waterford and League Champions Limerick United on their way to their first-ever League Cup Semi-Final.

Galway, who joined the League with Thurles three years ago, also reached the last four of the League Cup for the first time, beating Athlone Town en route.

ARBROATH'S CRICKET SCORE

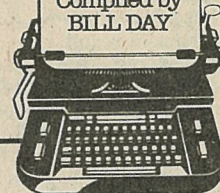
MOST soccer fans know that the highest score ever in a senior match in Britain was the 36-0 victory by Arbroath against Bon Accord in the first round of the Scottish Cup in 1885. But do you know the real story?

Bon Accord were in fact the Orion Cricket Club of Aberdeen, who surprisingly received an invitation from the Scottish F.A. to take part in the competition. The cricketers decided to change their name to Bon Accord — because they thought it sounded better than their real name.

After they had been slaughtered, the embarrassed Scottish F.A. secretary of the time apologised — and admitted that the invite should have been sent to Orion FOOTBALL Club!

NEWS DESK

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NOT THE FINAL WHISTLE...

I AM sad to announce the closure of SHOOT's companion magazine Soccer Monthly, with the November issue.

Increased production costs and lack of advertising support in this tough economic climate have forced IPC Magazines Ltd. to cease publication.

But it's not all gloom. From next week Soccer Monthly will combine with SHOOT to bring fans of ALL ages an even better and more informed football magazine.

Apart from all the SHOOT favourites, we will feature regular in-depth articles written by the top names in soccer journalism.

Details of the first combined issue can be found on page 50.

I'm sure SHOOT incorporating Soccer Monthly will prove to be the "transfer" of the season.

Peter Stewart

Editor

Bruce is Back

BRUCE RIOCH, who tumbled out of the spotlight last season, is now back in England and keen to find a new Football League club.

The former Scotland captain, bitterly disappointed with events at Derby County last season, played for Seattle Sounders last summer when he occupied a new role — at centre back.

He said: "I enjoyed the experience and I think that I can be of service to a lot of Football League clubs — if they want to make use of my experience."



PROGRAMMES WANTED!

THE National Heart Research Fund are making an appeal for the donation of football programmes. They will sell them to raise money for more heart transplant operations.

If any SHOOT readers would like to help this worthwhile cause send your programmes to: The National Heart Research Fund Programme Appeal, 12 Rooklands, Scotter, Nr. Gainsborough, Lincs. DN21 3TT.

If the number of programmes you wish to donate is too large to send by post/rail etc., collections can be arranged by telephoning (0724) 763744.

Thank you!



WHEN Martha Jane Aspdon was born in Blackburn in 1875, a football team was founded in the town in the same year.

Now, 105 years later, Martha Jane is still interested in her local team, and is patiently waiting to see Rovers back in the First Division. A former season ticket holder at Ewood Park, Martha Jane is delighted with the progress manager Howard Kendall is making with her favourite team at the top of the Second Division.

And she's a SHOOT supporter into the bargain!

Clean team award



FOR the second year in succession, North Paddington Boys' Club have won the Persil Clean Team Football Trophy, an award for the cleanest, most sporting team in the London Federation of Boys' Clubs Under-14 League.

Q.P.R. stars Bob Hazell and Ernie Howe presented the lads with their medals and trophy at a special reception held in their honour at Loftus Road. Well done, lads!

FORMER Leeds United hot shot Peter Lorimer, back from Canada and looking for a club, has this interesting comment to make about the States: "Potential in America is unlimited, and I don't doubt an American team will make a good run at the World Cup before too long. In a country of 200 million people, law of averages says they must come up with some top flight talent somewhere along the line. They may not do much in 1982, but by 1986 they could be a real footballing power."

Keep it OUT of the family

KEEPING it in the family is one thing Colin Lee, Chelsea's in-form striker signed last season from Spurs, does not want to do.

Because his younger brother Michael — he also played for Torquay and now turns out for Devon club Newton Abbot — seems to be picking up the same injuries.

Colin broke a leg and Michael suffered the same injury three times. During the summer break Colin and Michael trained together as they were both recovering from hamstring injuries.



'FOOTBALL INJURIES'

IN recent seasons there has been a growing interest in sports injuries and clinics, especially for the top professionals and leading clubs.

Now a new book has been written for managers, trainers and coaches of non-League clubs who have had no special training on the treatment of injuries.

It also emphasises that many injuries are preventable.

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SOUTHAMPTON have raided deep into West Ham territory and snapped up two 14-year-old schoolboys with exciting potential.

Bob Higgins, Saints Youth Development Officer and coach in charge of the club's Soccer Centre in Slough, has signed midfielder Mark Lawrence and sweeper David Manston. Both play for Newham.

Lawrence attends St. Bonaventure's School where Orient's John Chiedozie was a pupil.

Bob, who discovered Southampton stars Steve Williams and is responsible for several other players finding their way into the club's first team squad, has also signed 15-year-old Harlow midfielder Terry Milbourne.

BIRMINGHAM City players have come up with a novel way to make sure they do their utmost to stay clear of trouble this season.

The club's three senior professionals, Scotland skipper Archie Gemmill, Mick Page and Alan Curbishley, have been given the power to "fine" any player who gets into hot water with referees.

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Latest transfers

Jaka Banovic Yugoslavia to Derby.
Dave Carlton Brentford to Northampton.
Dave Clement Bolton to Fulham.
Mike Czuczman Ex-Stockport to Grimsby.
Jacob Cohen Hapooel to Brighton.
Paul Fletcher Blackpool to Portsmouth.
Ronnie Goodlass Den Haag to Fulham.
Andy Harrow Raith to Luton.
Dave Hubbick Ipswich to Wimbledon.
Andy King Everton to Q.P.R.
John Lyons Millwall to Cambridge.
Phil Lythgoe Norwich to Oxford.
Paul Maguire Shrewsbury to Stoke.
Willie Morgan Bolton to Blackpool.
Andy Ritchie Man. Utd. to Brighton.
John Hyan Seattle to Sheffield U.
Peter Sayer (right) Brighton to Preston.
Barry Siddall Sunderland to Wolves.
Mick Walsh Q.P.R. to F.C. Porto.

Managerial changes

Bill McGarry sacked by Newcastle United.
Arthur Cox, ex-Chesterfield appointed Newcastle manager.
Frank Barlow appointed manager of Chesterfield.
Jimmy Adamson sacked by Leeds United; Alan Clarke, Barnsley manager, appointed as Leeds chief.
Norman Hunter appointed manager Barnsley.
Alan Dicks left Bristol City; Bobby Houghton, ex-Ethnikos, appointed City manager.
Martin Harvey sacked by Carlisle, replaced by Bob Stokoe.
John King released by Tranmere, Bryan Hamilton appointed.
Bob Smith sacked by Swindon.
Bill Dodgin appointed manager Northampton.
Tommy Docherty sacked by Q.P.R.
Malcolm Allison replaced by Manchester City. John Bond left Norwich to succeed him.



Briefly...

● Dundalk recently retained the President's Cup by beating St Patrick's Athletic 3-0 in a replay.

● Hearts fans are enjoying a 'like father, like son' situation this season. The reason is 16-year-old David Bowman, a midfielder player, who is making a big impression since his introduction to the first team. David's father, Andy Bowman, was one of the stars in the Hearts side in the 60's.

● David Booth, the 17-year-old Stockport midfielder or forward is a great tennis enthusiast and a firm admirer of Wimbledon Champion Bjorn Borg. Young Booth might have a long way to go to reach the heights of his hero, but he still isn't doing badly for a boy. He appeared for East Cheshire boys at soccer and has quickly made his mark at Edgeley Park.

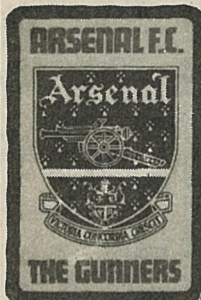
● Steve Archibald's record £850,000 arrival from Scottish kinnings Aberdeen last May, cost Tottenham something like four times what it took to assemble their entire 1961 League and Cup "double" team.

● Bolton have had to go a long way to replace their star midfielder Peter Reid — to Bolgrade in fact. The man they've chosen is 27-year-old Dason Nikolic, who arrives at Burnden Park as a current Yugoslavian international, and with the reputation of being an exceptionally good left sided player. Nikolic has been with Red Star Bolgrade.

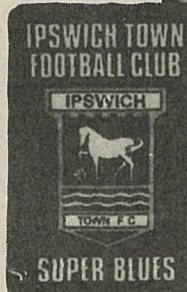
● Former Dundee United and Meadowbank goalkeeper Derek Neilson has joined Brechin for a record fee of £6,000. The 21-year-old former schoolboy cap turned down a move to Ayr last season but was reported to have welcomed the move to Glebe Park as he still lives in Dundee and travelling has been made more accessible. Within 24 hours of Neilson's departure, Meadowbank signed "out of favour" Bobby McKell from Falkirk.

● Former Queens Park Rangers and Spurs favourite Roger Morgan is now the Assistant Recreation Officer to the Haringey Council. His job keeps him involved in organising coaching courses for children and adults for football, tennis and many other sports.

● Raith Rovers appear to have found a ready made replacement for Andy Harrow, the striker they sold to Luton Town for £50,000. He is 19-year-old Colin Harris who came on as substitute against East Stirling and scored both goals in the Kirkcaldy side's 2-1 victory.

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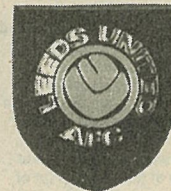
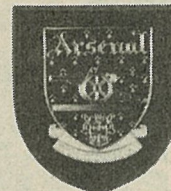
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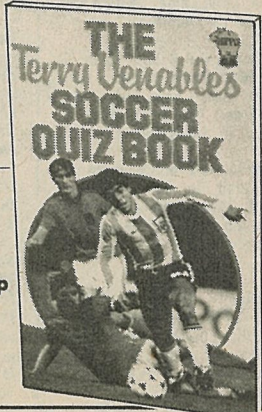
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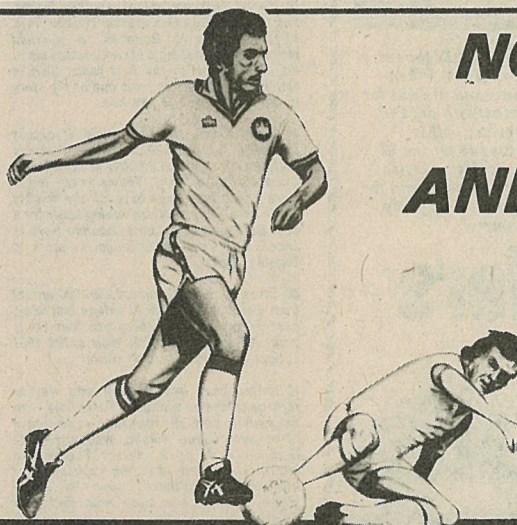
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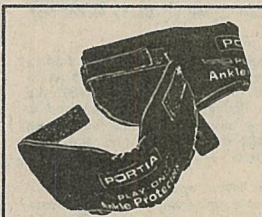
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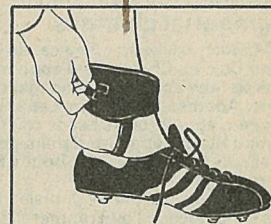
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THE days when the Football League Cup could be won by almost anybody from Rotherham to Rochdale are over, and in looking at the draw for the Fourth Round of this year's competition, it is hard to imagine the trophy not ending up with one of the First Division 'big boys'.

Of the top clubs, only Aston Villa, Everton, Southampton and Manchester United have fallen by the wayside.

At one time it was commonplace for a Second or even Third Division club to reach the League Cup Final, but with Nottingham Forest having made Wembley their second home with three successive appearances, and automatic entry into Europe for the winners, it seems unlikely to happen this time.

And with all due respect to those survivors from the lower Divisions, we can't see them progressing a great deal further than October 29.

Only one tie guarantees that one of the 'outsiders' reach the last eight, when WEST HAM take on Third Division BARNSELEY at Upton Park, but otherwise it could be that the Quarter-Finals will be the exclusive preserve of the First Division.

Incredibly, the only all-First Division ties will be at St Andrews and White Hart Lane.

London rivals SPURS and ARSENAL last met in the League Cup at the Semi-Final stage of the 1968-69 season, with Arsenal winning the two-leg affair 2-1 on aggregate before losing to Third



A bad draw for outsiders

Division Swindon. This one could be just as close, with a replay a strong possibility.

There'll be no shortage of atmosphere at Vicarage Road, either, when WATFORD take on NOTTINGHAM FOREST. The two teams met in the 1979 Semi-Final, with Forest winning 3-1 on aggregate, and despite the fine Cup tradition of the home side, Forest will be in determined mood to make amends for their European Cup exit.

Undoubtedly the surprise packet of the League Cup so far have been

Second Division CAMBRIDGE UNITED, who have already beaten Wolves and Aston Villa.

They make another trip to the Midlands to take on a COVENTRY side who have already accounted for Manchester United and Brighton, but this time it could be third time UNLUCKY for John Docherty's ambitious side.

The minds of WEST BROMWICH ALBION and PRESTON supporters must have immediately gone back to 1954 when their names came out of the hat together.

It was in that year that one of the

Tony Godden saves a penalty from Everton's John Gidman to send WBA into the League Cup Fourth Round.

most exciting F.A. Cup Finals of all time was contested between the two, with Albion winning 3-2. Considering Preston's poor start to the season, it is difficult to predict anything other than a home win for Albion at The Hawthorns.

As for BIRMINGHAM, they still can't convince folk in the Midlands that they're back in the First Division to stay, and only a victory over early pacemakers IPSWICH will persuade them otherwise. Keith Bertschin would certainly love to put one over his old side, and this game could be a real thriller.

LIVERPOOL, who've never won the trophy, should overcome Third Division PORTSMOUTH at Anfield, and although Frank Burrows' team will no doubt say they're going to enjoy themselves, that's about all they'll get from their trip North.

Liverpool certainly can't complain about the draw so far, having already beaten Bradford and Swindon at Anfield in the previous rounds.

MANCHESTER CITY, under the guidance of new boss John Bond, will hope they have now turned the corner and look to progress to the next stage at the expense of NOTTS COUNTY.

Despite County's buoyant position at the moment, City should start favourites on their own ground.

League Cup Fourth Round

UNFASHIONABLE Cambridge United will be bidding for their third successive First Division scalp when they travel to take on Coventry in the League Cup on October 28.

They have already dumped out other Midland giants Wolves and Aston Villa, and if words alone can produce results Cambridge are already as good as in the Fifth Round.

The words will come from manager John Docherty (right). He may be one of the smallest men in the game in terms of physical stature — but when it comes to ideas he is one of the biggest.

No one can ever accuse the 5ft 5½in Doc of being a pessimist. He manages to look on the bright side of everything.

For instance: ask him how Cambridge, owners of the smallest ground in the League, get by on pathetically small gates of around 6,000 and he will manage to convince you they are not small at all.

"At a time when gates all round are going down ours at Cambridge are going UP," declares Docherty.

"Four years ago we were in the Fourth Division and drawing attendances of under 3,000. Now we have reached the Second Division and gates have gone over 6,000.

"How many other clubs can claim attendances have DOUBLED?" he asks with a logic that defies argument.

And Docherty also points out that their cosy little home at the



**Wolves...
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now
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aim to deliver
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Abbey Stadium accommodates only 12,000. "That means the place is more than half-full now — and how many clubs outside the First Division can boast an achievement like that?"

Cambridge have come a long way in a remarkably short space of time.

For they have arrived as an established Second Division outfit only ten years after being elected to the Football League.

Promotion to the Third Division in 1973 lasted just one year. They went straight back down to the Fourth — but things really started taking off when Ron Atkinson moved in as manager in 1974.

Proudly

In three years he transformed the club, got them back into the Third — and left them sitting proudly on top of it when he left to manage West Bromwich Albion in January, 1978.

Docherty completed the job by taking Cambridge into the Second Division in 1978.

And they have managed to stay there ever since, although all the odds have been stacked against them.

It speaks volumes for everybody connected with the club that they have managed to do so well on slender resources and this League Cup run is finally earning them the credit they deserve.

"I have always believed we needed a big name signing to put

us on the map. Others claimed a Cup run would do the trick — and they have been proved right.

"Now we have knocked over Wolves, the holders, and Aston Villa, three times winners of the trophy, Cambridge is finally recognised as something other than a University city.

"We have waited for a long time for it and it tastes all the sweeter when it comes this late.

"And whatever we get is a reward for EVERYONE at the club — not just the players or the manager. They have all grafted hard to do their bit and it's been a team effort in every sense of the word.

"We may be stuck out on a limb here in East Anglia. It's not exactly the most vibrant football area on earth — but I have never been happier.

"The superb Board of Directors I work for give me peace of mind and total job satisfaction, we have put together a fine squad of players and the fans we have are as loyal as any in the country.

"A win at Coventry would put us in the last eight of the competition, and we see no reason why we should not achieve it.

"But whatever happens we have had a marvellous run. It is one that has finally alerted people to what Cambridge are capable of.

"It's up to all of us to build on that and take Cambridge on from here. Our facilities may not be the biggest or best in the business — but we have as much ambition as any club in the land."

THE prophets of doom are having a ball. They point, with undisguised gloom, to the hooliganism poisoning football, to the number of players booked and sent-off, to dwindling attendances and crippling debts.

But the time has come to put things in perspective. Divorce cases attract more readers than weddings ever will. And so it is with the game of football. Only the bad news makes news; only the problems, the riots, the so-called sensational incidents make headlines.

Genuine Fans

LITTLE or no effort is made to highlight the tremendous good in British football, yet all that is commendable about our game could fill column upon column when compared with the negative aspects.

Millions of men, women and children watch football every week. Genuine fans save up and travel thousands of miles a season — sometimes across the European borders — to follow the fortunes of their particular team. Without them the game would be dead.

The trouble-makers — the yob-element intent on using football grounds as their battlegrounds — comprising a tiny percentage of the whole. Unfortunately it is unrealistic to expect headlines screaming "Thousands of normal people behaved themselves today". Far more likely is "Hooligans wreck terracing".

It is about time people realised that if football ceased tomorrow, these thugs would simply select another stage. As Malcolm Macdonald, Fulham's Marketing Director and former England striker put it: "Football is not the cause of the hooligans, it is simply their current vehicle."

Players, too, have come in for a tremendous amount of adverse comment. Much was made of one First Division player becoming involved in a scuffle with a photographer and a Third Division defender attracting the attention of a police officer because of bad language on the pitch.

But such incidents are so rare

that they earn headlines. The time to worry is when they are so commonplace that they appear down-page.

World's Toughest League

BRITISH footballers play in the hardest and most demanding League in the world. They endure astonishing varieties of climate during their professional season and often have to play on surfaces not even racehorses are allowed to tread.

Football is a game of passion and physical contact. Naturally individuals lose their tempers now

arguments against such logic.

Rugby League is probably the hardest and most physical spectacle in sport. Yet no amount of bone-crunching tackles spark the Rugby League fans to riot. In comparison, cricket can hardly be described as a snappy, blood-boiling spectacle, yet something caused a certain element in the crowd during the England v Australia Centenary Test to lose their heads and disgrace their sport.

When you read of football hooligans brawling on their way to grounds, being ejected before a game begins and waging war on trains hours after games have ended, it makes nonsense of the suggestion that football, or the men who play the game, are responsible.

Nobody on SHOOT is attempting to minimise the problems within the game — yobs, player behaviour, falling attendances. But what we are saying is that these are problems and not death tolls.

Model Professionals

FOR a change let's salute those professionals who typify all that is good about our football, men such as John Hollins of Arsenal, whose career with Chelsea, Q.P.R. and the Highbury club reads like a brochure on how to be the model pro; Young Bobby "Dazzler" Barnes of West Ham, who scored a superb goal on his League debut

SPECIAL REPORT

THE GOOD

and again, players do things in the heat of the moment, games boil over occasionally. But footballers are human beings, not programmed robots. There is no justification for saying they are dropping their standards.

Certain Government figures even suggested that player-behaviour on the pitch is directly related to violence on the terraces. Rubbish! No proof of this exists, but there are plenty of

against Watford and excited the crowd with every touch; Brian Horton of Brighton, whose commendable professional standards have taken him from Divisions Three to One without fuss but with pride and honour; Garry Birtles of Forest who, despite behind the scenes disagreements with his management, has done his job, been a credit to his profession and an example to others; Alan Dicks,



who parted company with Bristol City after many years of excellent managerial service, but who chose to leave with dignity and without comment on the loss of his job.

Just a handful of the many, many examples within football of how the vast majority do the right thing, give the right example, make their game something of which we can all be proud.

Sadly, these are the men who do

not make headline news. But they are the very people who are helping to steer football through one of the most difficult passages of its history. And as long as they continue to set such a fine example, football will continue to remain the most popular sport in the land.

Exciting Youngsters

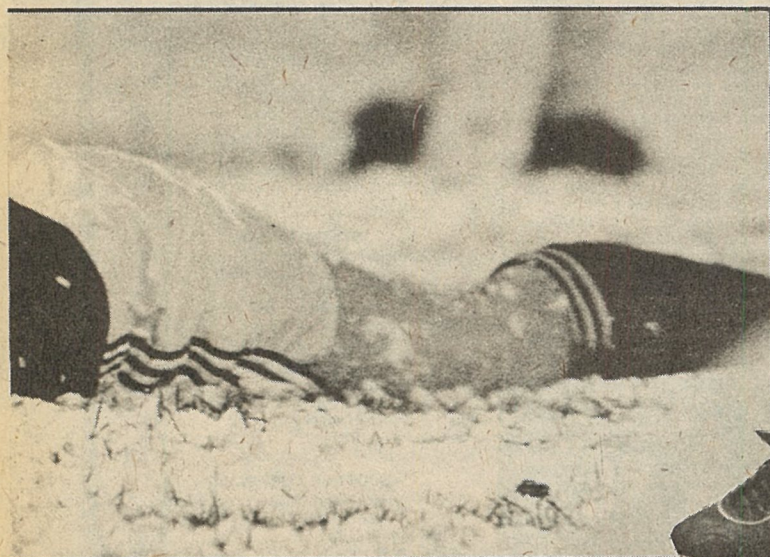
THE Football League contains a brilliant and exciting crop of young players capable of giving England a top-notch international team before very long. The likes of Glenn Hoddle, Gordon Cowans, Graham Rix, Garth Crooks, Bryan Robson, Vince Hilaire, Sammy Lee... the names spring to mind more easily than was possible at any time in the past decade.

John Hollins (left), a model professional throughout his career. Glenn Hoddle (right) is just one of many exceptional young players making their mark in the game. Players such as West Ham's Phil Parkes (above right) do much youth and charity work without seeking credit.



SIDE OF SOCCER

Britain's footballers have to perform in all conditions, as Eric Gates discovers to his cost last winter.



Off the park, clubs are making financially-crippling efforts to modernise stadia for the benefit of spectator comfort. Clubs are examining every aspect of advertising and promotional revenue to ensure a more secure future.

Charity Workers

AWAY from the game, hundreds of professional footballers play a huge part in social and charitable activities, something for which they rarely receive credit.

For every one player booked or sent-off there are hundreds involved in hospital visits, fund raising ventures, running Sunday morning junior teams, coaching school-kids.

It's worth mentioning, although they won't thank us for doing so, that leading personalities including Bobby Moore, Jimmy Greaves, Andy Gray, Steve Coppell, Paul Madeley, Eddie Gray, Jimmy Rimmer, Ron Greenwood and Peter Bonetti have all been involved in raising funds for Cancer Research.

So have many clubs — Arsenal, Nottingham Forest, Birmingham City, Manchester United, Manchester City, Norwich, Liverpool and Leeds among them.

This is a difficult time for everyone. Government measures have created a tightening of purse-strings and more than two million people are unemployed. So it is hardly surprising that football attendances have dipped.

The social disease known as 'football' hooliganism must be cured. It will take time, but for heaven's sake, let us not fall into the easy step of those who seem to be enjoying their knocking campaign.

The game of football is alive, changing and developing and certainly not as troubled as the prophets of doom would like us to believe.



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THOSE who were at Wembley on November 25th, 1953, witnessed an historic event which they have never forgotten, not only because it was England's first home defeat by a Continental side, but because of the immaculate display of the victorious Hungarian team (above, dark shirts) who thrashed England 6-3. This shook England's complacent attitude to foreign football progress and finally proved we were no longer the masters. The Mighty Magyars were a side that combined speed, anticipation and powerful shooting; a side that included several of the finest players ever to tread the Wembley turf. This devastating combination was Grosics: Buzansky, Lantos, Bozsik, Lorant, Zakarias; Budai,

Kocsis, Hidegkuti, Puskas, Czibor. With just one change, Toth for Budai, the same side gave England an even bigger hiding in Budapest six months later, winning 7-1, and in these two victories their deep-lying centre-forward, Nandor Hidegkuti, netted four goals, while the genius who created so many openings as well as scoring himself, Ferenc Puskas, probably the finest left-foot shot in the game's history, scored three. Around this period Hungary were unbeaten in 29 matches until their surprise 3-2 defeat by West Germany in the World Cup Final of 1954, a defeat due in part to an injury to Puskas. Hungary's international run June, 1950, to June, 1954 — P29 W25 L0 D4 F129 A32. The defeat by West Germany was the only one in a run of 48 games.

JIMMY DICKINSON



SUCH was the consistency of this remarkable footballer that he averaged 40 League games per season over a period of 19 years! All of those games were for Portsmouth, for Jimmy Dickinson has gone down as one of the finest servants any club ever had, a one club man who set a record 764 peace-time League appearances for Portsmouth. As he joined them in 1933 his War-time appearances would take him well past the 800 mark. Whether it was on the field as a hard-tackling but always fair wing-half, or off the field, he was a model for any youngster to follow. He never gave a referee a moment's trouble and was widely respected as one of football's gentlemen. Jimmy Dickinson won two League Championship medals with Pompey and when they fell from grace he was an ever-present when they won the Championship of Division Three. He made the first of his England appearances in May, 1949, and played 49 times.

DANIEL PASSARELLA

DANIEL Passarella rocketed to fame when he captained Argentina to their 1978 World Cup triumph — less than four years after his League debut for River Plate! The fiery, temperamental central defender had been a controversial choice as national team captain, but Passarella impressed the world with his firm tackling, strong attacking runs and a heading ability remarkable for a man of 5ft 8in. Born in Chacabuco on May 25th, 1953, Daniel became left-footed because "I broke my right foot when I was four and had to use the other one", and has piled up domestic titles since joining River Plate in 1974. Initially a member of the Argentine Youth Team that won the Toulon Tournament, Passarella made his 'A' team debut in 1976 and two years later, having already hit the record books as the highest-scoring defender in Argentine football, he was lifting the World Cup in triumph — a feat he aims to repeat in 1982.



MARIO KEMPES

TWO cobra-like strikes in Argentina's 3-1 win over Holland in the 1978 World Cup Final turned Mario Alberto Kempes into a household name and the idol of budding goalscorers all over the world. Born on July 15th, 1954, Kempes began rattling in goals for his home-town team Bell Ville, continued (alongside Osvaldo Ardiles) with Instituto de Córdoba, and went on to hit 93 goals in two seasons with Rosario Central before his bargain £275,000 transfer to Spanish club Valencia in 1976. Meanwhile, Kempes had made his international debut in Bolivia in 1973 and had failed to impress in the 1974 World Cup. But in 1976 he was one of two players recalled from foreign countries to join the Argentine squad, and his physical strength, high-speed ball-control and dynamic finishing with his explosive left foot brought him six goals in Argentina's last four matches to convert him into the tournament's top scorer and to establish his reputation as one of the deadliest finishers around.



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BOBBY MURDOCH

WHEN he first signed for Celtic straight from school in Motherwell Bobby Murdoch seemed destined to be a forward and was tried in several positions, up-front. For a while he seemed suited to outside-right, but it was when he moved to right-half in 1964-65 that he really developed into a top class player. Scotland capped him in that position for the first time against Italy at Hampden in November, 1965, when they won 1-0, and in the following game against Wales he showed that he could still shoot as powerfully as any forward by getting two of his side's goals in a 4-1 victory. In all, Murdoch made only 12 Scottish appearances, the last one in a 2-0 defeat in Vienna in 1969, but he held his place in Celtic's side throughout the first eight of their run of nine League Championships as well as collecting Scottish Cup winners' medals in 1963, 1967, 1969 and 1972, and League Cup medals in 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968 and 1969.



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GEOFF HURST

THE only player to score a hat-trick in a World Cup Final, Geoff Hurst's contribution to the 1966 triumph over West Germany overshadowed the performances of all his England team-mates on that historic day. An outstanding striker, Hurst developed under the managerial guidance of Ron Greenwood at West Ham, and in 1964 helped them to victory over Preston in the F.A. Cup Final. A year later West Ham gained the European Cup-Winners' Cup, and Hurst backed this up with his first full England cap against Spain in 1966. A surprise choice in preference to Jimmy Greaves during

the later stages of the World Cup Finals, Hurst's historic three goals in the Final virtually assured him of a regular international games for the next five years. In 49 full England games he netted 24 times, his last game coming in 1971 against West Germany. A move to Stoke later in his career did not stop the goals flowing, and in 1972 he helped his new team to the League Cup. After a spell in charge of non-League Telford, Hurst returned to the big time last season as manager of Chelsea. He is also a member of the England back-up squad to Ron Greenwood.

PAUL MADELEY

LOYAL and long-serving defenders whose entire career has been spent at Elland Road with Leeds United. Locally-born, he joined the club straight from school in 1962, and has played in every position for Leeds, except goalkeeper. One of the key figures of Don Revie's outstanding side of the early 1970's, Madeley gained his first full England cap in 1971 against Northern Ireland. Were it not for injuries, there is little doubt that Paul Madeley would have won many more than the 24 full caps he eventually collected before his final international game against Holland in 1977. Don Revie once christened Madeley "The Rolls-Royce of football" and the imposing defender has done his best to live up to such a comparison ever since. Up to the start of the current season he had started in 520 League games, and had also made ten appearances as substitute for Leeds. Although Jackie Charlton made nearly 100 appearances more than that total for the club before he ended his 20-year association at Elland Road in 1973, there seems to be no end to the amazing career of Paul Madeley just yet. He could still go on to claim that club record for himself, and there could be no player more deserving of such a distinction.



JIM BAXTER

ELEGANT midfield player who proved a constant thorn in England's side during the 1960's, Jim Baxter started his career with Raith Rovers, and his forceful and creative style seemed certain to guarantee him a move to Burnley, until the English First Division club pulled out of the deal when £2,500 was asked for his services! Instead he was signed by Rangers, and gained his first cap for Scotland against Northern Ireland in a 5-2 victory at Hampden Park in November, 1960. A regular in the international side from then on, Baxter's finest moment probably came three years later when he scored both goals in Scotland's 2-1 victory over 'The Auld Enemy' at Wembley. He was also a member of the Rest of the World XI which played England that year, but the following year broke a leg in a European Cup match with Rangers in Vienna. In 1965 Rangers sold Jim Baxter to Sunderland, where he gained the last 12 of his 34 international caps, the final honour coming against Wales in 1968.

ARSENAL 1970-71

ARSENAL'S "double" winning team of 1970-71 has seldom been accorded the praise their achievement deserved when one considers that even their greatest teams of the 1930's never managed to win the League and F.A. Cup in the same season. Maybe their style did not entertain everyone in 1970-71, but for sheer grit, determination and stamina their performance has seldom been equalled. Their energy brought them through many a tight spot and helped snatch points or win games when all seemed lost. Indeed, their record that season was noted for its brinkmanship. A goal three minutes from time by Ray Kennedy in their last First Division game of the season at Tottenham brought them the League title just one point ahead of Leeds United, while in the F.A. Cup Final only five days later they came from behind in extra-time against Liverpool (0-0 after 90 minutes) for Charlie George to hit a winner worthy of the occasion. The Cup-winning team: Bob Wilson; Pat Rice, Bob McNab; Peter Storey (Eddie Kelly), Frank McLintock, Peter Simpson; George Armstrong, George Graham, John Radford, Ray Kennedy, Charlie George. Another leading League player was John Roberts. League and F.A. Cup record: P51 W35 D10 L6F87A34 League Pts 65. Leading scorer Ray Kennedy 21 goals.



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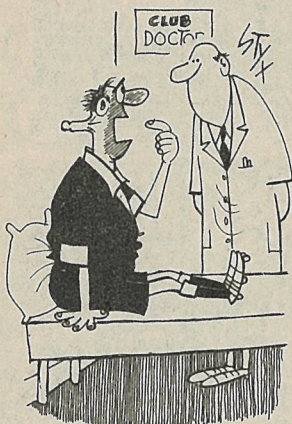
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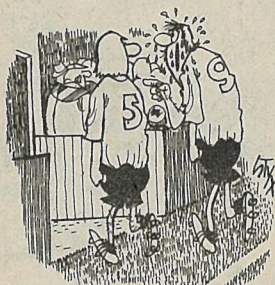
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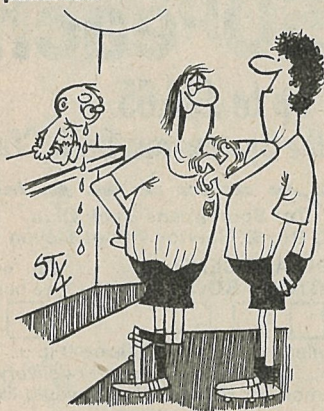
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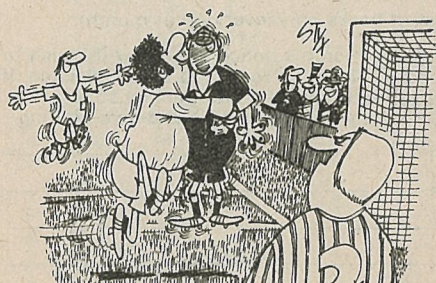
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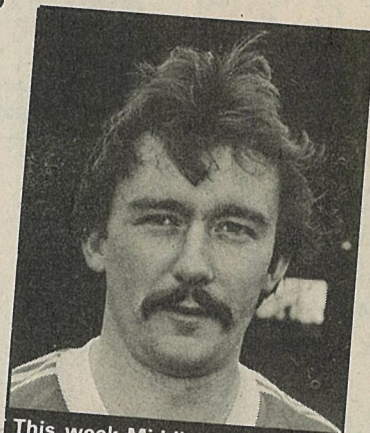
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"No wonder I couldn't find my hairnet."



"I know there's nothing in the rules about lucky charms, but..."

"Good old ref. Given a last minute penalty."



THE FEAR HAUNTING DUNDEE

DUNDEE went into the new season in a mood of high optimism promising to atone for last term's nightmare when they were relegated from the Premier Division.

"Our obvious aim must be promotion," said new manager Donald Mackay (above). "Dundee are too good a side."

The nightmare, however, is still haunting Mackay and his team. After 11 League games they were third from bottom of the First Division with only two wins.

Not surprisingly, Mackay has had a look at his resources at Dens Park and recently had a shake-up of backroom staff, naming former Chelsea star Frank Upton as his chief coach and putting former player Hugh Robertson in charge of the youngsters. Veteran Jocky Scott will also combine playing with coaching.

Business

On the same day those changes were announced, Dundee travelled to Motherwell on League business and Mackay got that old familiar sinking feeling as his side went down by the odd goal in five.

"We have got a huge task on our hands," he says. "There can be no doubt about it now."

"I want players who will give 100 per cent effort for the club. Nothing less will be tolerated."

The thought of Second Division football is a frightener for Dundee.

Despite recent setbacks, the club has remained full time and has paid good wages to the players.

There has been an almighty upheaval at Dens Park over the past three or four years with Tommy Gemmell taking over from Davie White, the ex-Rangers boss,

and completely rebuilding the side.

Players were bought and sold almost every second week and Dundee fans complained of hardly recognising any of their players!

Mackay knew he was taking on a huge task when he moved as he admitted at the time.

"I'm willing to give every player a chance to show me his capabilities," he says. "I have got to be patient. I know there are some good players at this club and they will be given every opportunity to express themselves."

Unfortunately, Dundee have bounced from one disaster to another since the season's kick-off and the pressure on Mackay has grown. The Dundee fans are used to something better and they haven't been slow to let the manager and the players realise this.

It hasn't quite reached Jimmy Adamson proportions with fans baying for the manager's head, but obviously only something drastic will prevent Dundee from fading into oblivion.

The players have lost confidence and Mackay will work long and hard to restore that much-needed commodity. But big-thinking Dundee face an almighty struggle in the coming months as Mackay, a former goalkeeper with Dundee United, tries to get his ideas across.

Mackay, who returned to Scotland this season from Denmark, does not ask for sympathy. What he needs most is time... and that is exactly what he doesn't have.

There is no easy answer to their problem... just hard work, dedication and application. Donald Mackay deserves that at least from his players.

WORLD Lightweight Champion Jim Watt was in serious trouble recently.

We were both taking part in a pro-am golf tournament and yours truly duly walked off with a glittering piece of silverware with a round Jack Nicklaus would be hard pressed to emulate.

I showed my prize to Jim and, quick as a flash, he said: "It's good to see a Rangers player winning something!"

It's just as well Jim is a fabulous boxer. Actually, I'm only joking, but I am taking that triumph as a pointer for the future after last season's disaster when we won nothing.

As a matter of fact, I've had two personal victories recently for I have just passed my driving test, and that was something that had been worrying me for quite a while.

My wife used to drive me everywhere I went and, thankfully, I've got an uncle who is a taxi driver in Glasgow and he was very good at picking me up from time to time.

Now, at long last, I have passed my test and won't have to rely on anyone else to motor me around. I'll tell you a little secret . . . I was almost in trouble with Rangers shortly after I had joined them.

I was travelling on a day to day basis from my home in Dundee and, honestly, all that time spent in trains was beginning to get to me. Rangers knew about the situation and tried to move me to Glasgow, but I wanted to stay with my family up North.

'WHEN I BEAT JIM WATT'



Rangers, in fact, wanted to rush me through my driving test and bought me a block of lessons. Alas, I didn't quite take to driving and it has taken me all this time to pick up my licence.

Now, let's get back to football. A large smile flashed across my face a week or so ago when I was watching the television and the commentator said: "And there's Derek Johnstone . . . he hasn't put a foot wrong all day."

It's a simple enough sentence, but it meant so much to me. It came during our 2-2 draw with Morton at Cappielow and I was playing in a defensive midfield role.

I enjoyed the game, especially as we were 2-0 down at one point and still came fighting back to earn a

draw. Cappielow is the type of place where you know you are always going to get a hard time of it.

Morton always seem to rise to the occasion when they play either ourselves, Celtic or Aberdeen. And I just wish some of the critics who continually slam the standard of goalkeepers in the Premier Division had been there to witness the display of Morton's Roy Baines.

Unstoppable

The English-born 'keeper must have made at least three saves that were world class and we only equalised in the last minute when Colin McAdam nodded an unstoppable effort past him from six yards.

Colin is doing a great job for the club in attack, and he is certainly well worth the £170,000 manager John Greig paid Partick for his services during the close season.

I was talking to Colin the other day and he is enjoying playing for Rangers. He is amazed by our fans and that's not surprising because I

reckon our supporters are worth a goal start to us.

They encourage you all the way and, thankfully, there hasn't even been the merest hint of trouble on the terracings this season. Long may that continue!

Meanwhile, I have just received a letter from Graeme Mackay, of Muirend, in Glasgow, and he asks me if I prefer to play in attack or defence.

Well, Graeme, I have already gone on record as saying I enjoy playing in the centre-back role, but I've got no chance of playing there while Colin Jackson performs as brilliantly as he has been doing this season.

Honestly, though, I'll play anywhere the gaffer, Mr. Greig, tells me. If he told me to play in goal I would be only too happy to comply with his wishes. Peter McCloy, you have been warned!

That's all for this week . . . take care and I'll see you all in a fortnight.

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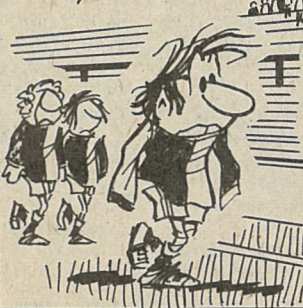
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Colin McAdam (right), who has proved to be a real bargain in attack for Rangers this season.

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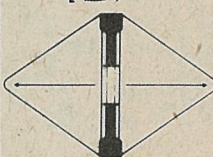
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I know what it takes to score seven goals, because we put that many past Bury in the last round, but with due respect to our opponents they ought not to have been in the same class as Southampton.

So, backed by the knowledge of Southampton's experience and our own against Watford in the League Cup two seasons ago, we won't be going to Vicarage Road under any illusions.

I've got a healthy respect for Graham Taylor, their manager, and his qualities showed through when we beat them 3-1 on aggregate in the 1978-79 Semi-Final to go through to meet Southampton at Wembley.



We had a problem or two in the first-leg when Luther Blissett headed past me to give them an early lead, and although we stormed back to win 3-1, I remember Blissett hitting the post in the second-half.

In the second-leg at Watford it was a bitterly cold night with half the pitch frozen but it didn't prevent them putting us under a tremendous amount of pressure.

So we know what we are up against — they are a side who have risen to the occasion in the past and several top sides have felt the weight of their giant-killing abilities.

Not only will we have to look out

'Fearless Fashanu'

JUSTIN Fashanu really seems to have made a name for himself at Norwich this season.

Whatever he does in football, he will always be remembered for that spectacular goal he scored against Liverpool last season. But he seems determined to leave a more lasting impression than that.

And whatever qualities he's got, there is no doubt he has already proved himself to be a brave, fearless kind of striker.

I remember us playing against Norwich in Fashanu's early days, and right from the start of the match it was obvious that he wasn't going to be knocked out of his stride by physical contact.

I think we had Larry Lloyd and Kenny Burns in the middle of our defence that day, but although they are not the easiest pair to play against by any means, Fashanu gave as good as he got.

And when I saw him score a goal against Ipswich on television recently, he revealed that same courage. He had to go through a pack of players to score but the possibility of getting hurt in the process didn't cross his mind for a second.

That applies whether the ball is in the air or on the ground and with us down at Carrow Road this Saturday (October 25), it will be interesting to see how he has developed in other ways.

From what you read in the newspapers and see for yourself on tele-



vision, he seems to be maturing quite rapidly and it was hardly surprising that he was called into the full England squad recently considering the rate of progress he has made.

Although he lost his major striking partner when Kevin Reeves went to Manchester City last season, it has not prevented Fashanu maintaining his own goalscoring record... as a lot of First Division defences have been finding out.

beware of The Hornets'

for Luther Blissett this time round, but we will also have to keep a sharp eye on Malcolm Poskett, who has proved a great success at Vicarage Road since his move from Brighton.

But, having lost in the First Round of the European Cup, it is very important to us that we do well in the League Cup and F.A. Cup.

We want to qualify for Europe by winning the League if possible but the Cup competitions are a passport that we are keen to take up.

After reaching the League Cup Final on the past three occasions, we have almost regarded this particular trip to Wembley as an annual outing for our supporters'.

We are starting to put our game together at last, as we hope Watford will discover when we travel to Vicarage Road.

Luther Blissett heads Watford in front against Forest in the 1979 League Cup Semi-Final tie at the City Ground. Forest won the tie 3-1 on aggregate.



'Euro shock'

IT was a big blow to us all at Nottingham Forest when we lost to C.S.K.A. Sofia, of Bulgaria, in the First Round of the European Cup.

Obviously, we would dearly have liked to have won the trophy for the third successive year after our victories in Munich and Madrid, but you only have to ask Liverpool how difficult a hat-trick is to achieve.

We knocked Liverpool out when they were aiming for their third European Cup and then they took a First Round exit against the Russians of Dynamo Tbilisi.

I know how Liverpool must have felt, because although C.S.K.A. proved themselves to be a talented side, we thought we should have beaten them.

Disallowed

They put us under a bit of pressure in the first-leg but scored only once — and even then it was a goal that we were convinced should have been disallowed for offside.

Before the return, the general impression was that we would beat them comfortably but they revealed a lot of ability on the night to add to their lead with a goal that gave us little chance of coming back.

But although we were bitterly disappointed about our departure from Europe, I don't think we need feel too downhearted.

There were no slanging matches when we got back into the dressing-

room after the game. We knew we hadn't played well on the night and there was no point in having long inquests about it.

It was disappointing for everyone in Nottingham and, I hope, all English football fans and our management knew exactly how we felt.

About the only thing that Brian Clough and Peter Taylor said immediately afterwards concerned our next game against Manchester United. That's the way it must be in this business because you have to forget your disappointment and get on with the job.

There is no point in allowing such a disappointment to affect your game. Although we were beaten by United in our next game, at least our attitude was correct in concentrating on the next job in hand.

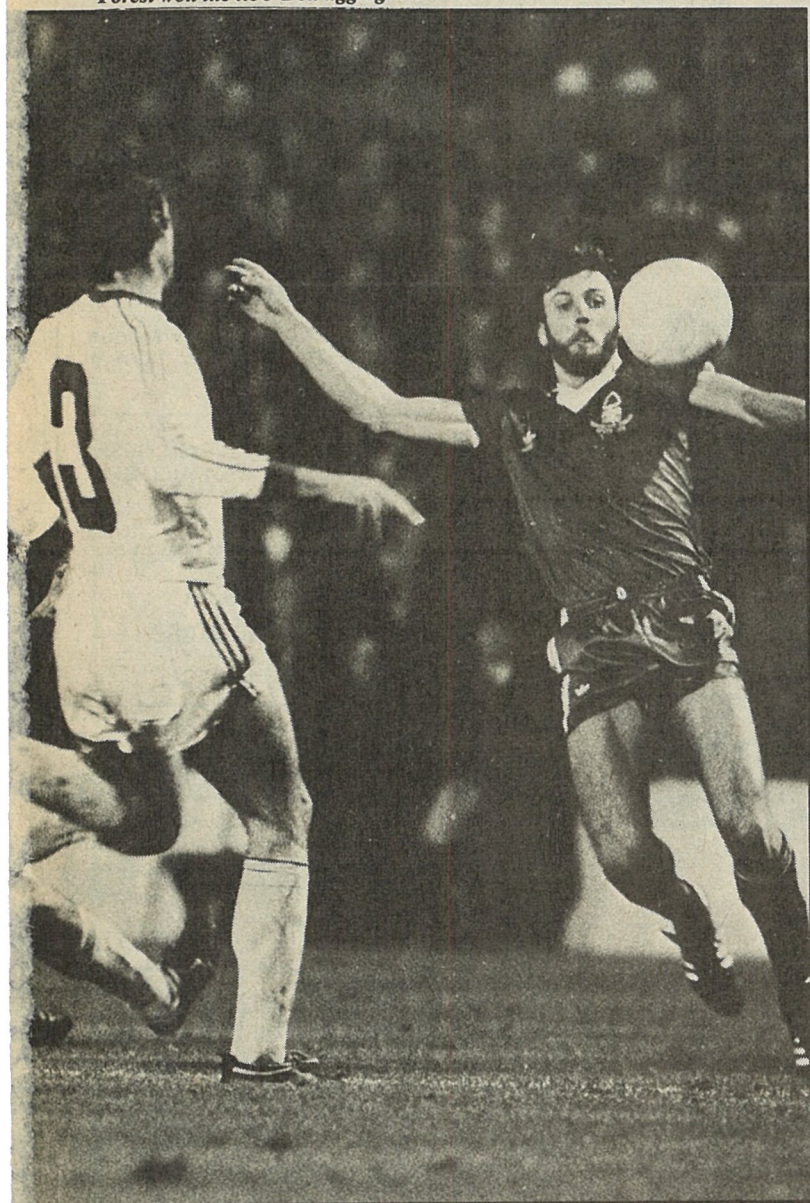
Our record over the last two or three years stands comparison with anyone's — including Liverpool's — and we have had a marvellous run at home and abroad.

We would like to think that being knocked out of the European Cup is just a setback because there is so much more that we want to achieve at the club.

We are desperately keen to win the League again, get back into the European Cup and make it three wins in four years.

John Wilson

Garry Birtles takes on the C.S.K.A. defence, but his efforts were in vain as Forest went out of the European Cup in the First Round.



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Simpson spur for McWilliams

TIME is the enemy no one can control. It reaches into football and steals the talents and the skills that were once bestowed upon an individual.

Every player eventually yields to the age barrier. Goalkeepers can fend it off better than outfield players, and many mature when they pass the magic limit of 30. Ronnie Simpson immediately springs to mind, winning his first cap at 35.

Davie McWilliams, the current Clyde goalkeeper, is also trying to prove that 'keepers very definitely improve with age. He may be out of the spotlight in the Second Division with a part-time club, but McWilliams, 30, is still one of the most consistent number ones in Scottish football.

"Craig Brown is such a knowledgeable manager that everyone wants to play for him," says

McWilliams. "He is dedicated to this club and we try to do likewise on the pitch.

"Clyde fans haven't had an awful lot to get excited about in recent years, but every player at Shawfield is determined to do something about rectifying that situation.

"We were promoted from the Second but slipped back when we didn't get the results our play deserved.

"Promotion again is the main aim now and I'm anxious to play my part. I would dearly love to play in the Premier Division before I eventually decide to call it a day. And I would like to play there with Clyde."

Five years ago McWilliams reached the pinnacle of his career when he helped Airdrie into the Scottish Cup Final and a meeting with Celtic at Hampden.

McWilliams had been consistently brilliant that season, but even he couldn't prevent the Broomfield side from sliding to a 3-1 defeat.

Furious

The man who put two glorious headers past McWilliams that day was Paul Wilson, who now plays in non-League football with Blantyre Celtic. See what we mean about time marching onwards at a fast and furious pace?

"Yes, that was a memorable experience," says McWilliams. "We were never outclassed in any way by Celtic.

"In fact, it was 1-1 at one stage in the first-half when Kevin McCann cracked in a magnificent equaliser. But Celtic got their second goal shortly afterwards and that took the wind out of our sails.

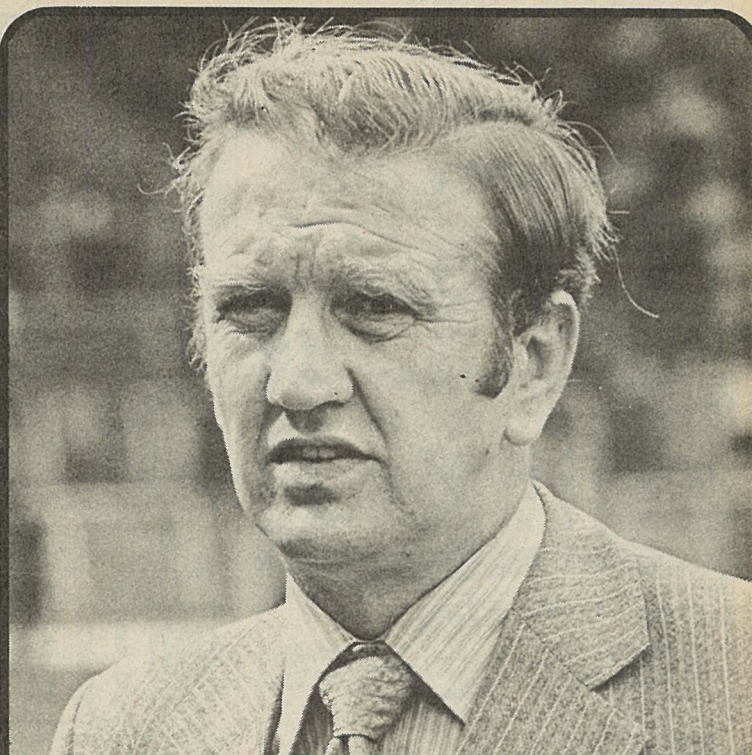
"It would have been wonderful to have won that trophy and gone into the European Cup-Winners' Cup as Scotland's representatives. That really would have been something!"

McWilliams is still performing exceptionally well in hectic conditions, and his safe hands could guide the way for Clyde into the First Division.

The 'keeper actually started his career as a teenager with Rangers back in the late 60's, but eventually he moved on to Alloa without playing a first team game.

The so-consistent McWilliams is adamant that the glory days are not buried in the past.

David McWilliams, still going strong in the Scottish Second Division with Clyde.



Tough-talking Clunie shakes up Saints

JIM CLUNIE is not a man to mince his words. If he has to get something off his chest he does so in no uncertain manner.

The St Mirren players have been left in no doubt what he demands from them in every game and they might have expected a tongue-lashing when they lost 1-0 to Partick Thistle at Firhill this season.

"We played better against Thistle than we have done for weeks," said Clunie, a former centre-half of the Love Street club who was taught the managerial trade by Lawrie McMenemy at Southampton.

"If I see my players giving their all until the final whistle I will be satisfied. We have been making chances, but not sticking them away with any great regularity.

"It is when you stop creating openings that you know you are in trouble. Things will work out if we continue to progress and start putting the ball where it belongs — in the back of the opponent's net."

St Mirren didn't quite make the initial impact many fans expected this season, but Clunie is refusing to panic.

"I know what these lads can do. Once we get into our stride we won't be easily knocked out of it, believe me."

Clunie led his team into Europe for their first time when they clinched a place in the UEFA Cup and they began their campaign with a fine 2-1 triumph over Elfsborg in Sweden.

The players showed the discipline Clunie wants in that tie after conceding a goal in only 16 minutes to one of Sweden's oldest clubs.

"I don't normally single out individuals," says Clunie, "but Jackie Copland and Doug Somner were outstanding against the Swedes.

"Jackie did a wonderful job in defence while Doug ran all night up in attack. Doug took his goal well, proving once again how valuable he is to us.

"I was particularly pleased by the way the team responded to letting in that early goal. Remembering that it was the first game on European soil for a lot of my players, they could have lost their rhythm.

"Instead they put their game together and played exceptionally well. That's the kind of form that can do Scotland no harm on the Continent."

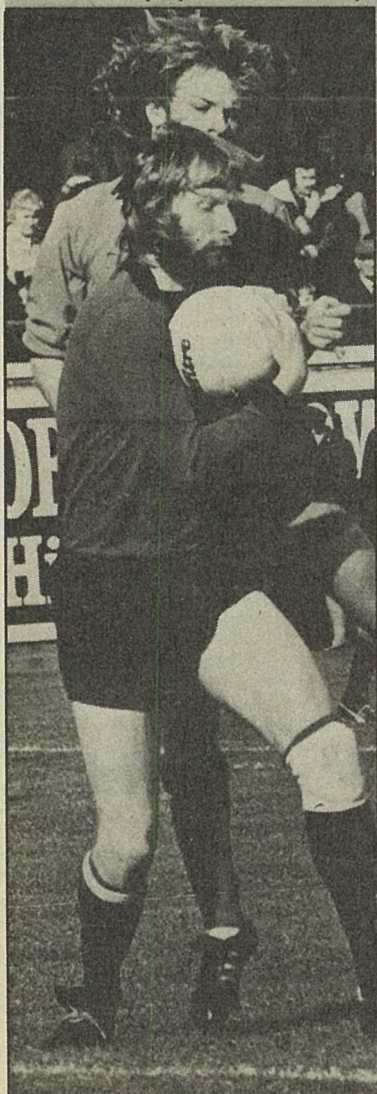
Debut

While St Mirren were making their European debut, former skipper and international left-back Iain Munro was on his way to Spain to have talks with the officials of the Alicante club before eventually signing for Stoke.

Again it underlines the maturity of Clunie's side that they could perform so brilliantly without one of their star men.

Yes, things are beginning to look good again for the talented Saints. Young outside-left Peter Weir is dazzling again on the wing and the hard-working Billy Abercromby, who rarely gets the credit he deserves, is looking good in the middle of the park.

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BOB Stokoe broke all records when he returned to Carlisle as manager following the sacking of Martin Harvey. It's his tenth manager's job and the fourth club he's been in charge of for the second time.

Bob's first reaction to his new appointment was totally in keeping with the dignified and modest manner which has been his managerial trademark for 20 years.

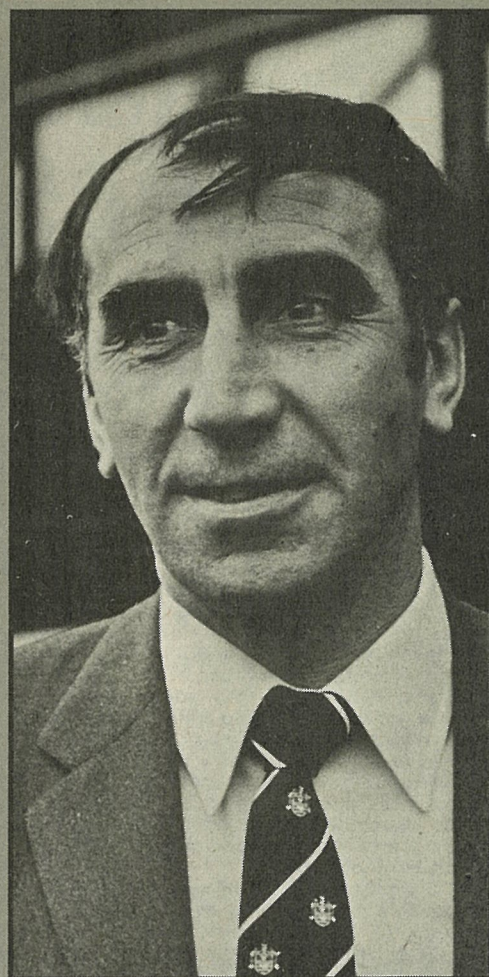
"I cannot echo enough how much I want to respond to the opportunity given to me by Carlisle," he said. "I'm extremely grateful to the club for giving me another chance."

"They were prepared to take the gamble and I hope I can fully justify the faith shown."

"I wasn't quite sure, after leaving Rochdale at the end of June, whether or not I would get another manager's job. After all, I had been at three clubs for the second time, but I didn't stay very long. Nevertheless, I think it would be wrong to say that my association wasn't successful."

"Obviously I'm delighted to be back because I've had one or two opportunities to go into other businesses, but I've never been interested."

RECORD- BREAKER BOB



"Football has been my life since I went on the groundstaff at Newcastle in 1946, and I hope it will continue to be my life until I retire."

Stokoe was halfway through a round of golf when he was given a number to ring at Carlisle.

"I dashed to the nearest telephone box as quickly as I could," he says. "It was the Carlisle chairman, Mr Bendall, inviting me to attend an interview that evening. I got up there for 7.30 and by nine o'clock I'd been appointed."

"I'd only been out of the game for a couple of months and I was always hopeful that I would get back."

"The facilities at Brunton Park have improved tremendously since I was here ten years ago. They're much more geared up, but unfortunately the results on the field haven't matched the developments."

"Gates had slumped to below 3,000, and nobody can be happy about that. My job is to restore the values on the pitch and that's all I'm interested in. I'm a football man, not a commercial man."

"If I can produce a team to match the facilities, then there's no reason why we shouldn't enjoy life. But, as everyone knows, it's all about results."

"I feel sorry for Martin Harvey, who was relieved of his duties, because we're good friends. In fact, I gave him his first coaching job when I was at Sunderland."

"It's early days. You don't get carried away and you don't expect miracles overnight. However, in my first week we gained five points out of a possible six, although we are still struggling."

"The main objective is to get away from the bottom of the Third Division as quickly as possible. I have been encouraged by what I have seen so far, and I think we can start to make a move in the right direction very soon."

"I enjoy working with the players and, if they respond to me, then I like to think that we can do well. I've proved that in the past."

Stokoe intends to give a fair crack of the whip to the players who are already at Carlisle.

"I've listened to them and we've talked about

why they think the club slipped to the bottom of the table. And then, of course, I've got to try to pick them up and assess the situation from there."

"I've been pleased with what I've seen so far. There's definitely something on which to build. We'll just take each game as it comes along."

"You don't rush out and buy players. You might think you need to fill one or two positions when you don't need to. Players sometimes respond differently to new managers."

"It's the all important time factor. We'll just get on with the job quietly and the results will do the talking for us either one way or the other."

Stokoe has brought back Dick Young, a Carlisle stalwart for 20 years or more, as his number two.

'Partnership'

"I'm looking forward to the relationship and to renewing the partnership of the early 70's. We very nearly took the club to Wembley and they were on the verge of going into the First Division during that period."

"I didn't leave Rochdale with any bad taste. In fact, I received a letter from the chairman, Mr Wrigley, saying how delighted he was for me and wishing me well at Carlisle."

"I've never been a forecaster. I think it's too dangerous. I only hope that the positive response I've encountered with the players so far is just a start of a long and successful relationship."

"I can only ask the supporters to be patient. Things are not going to improve overnight, and I feel that if they give the team their full backing they will respond in the best way — by getting the right results. The pressure is on us already with only a quarter of the season gone, but I am confident that we can all work together and sort things out."

We wish Bob Stokoe many happy returns, not only on his recent 50th birthday, but also on his new appointment. It's good to see you back, Bob.

This week's Star Letter comes from Douglas Drinnan of Prestwick, who wins our Special Prize of £10. He writes:

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★ **ABERDEEN** are the most refreshing development to occur in Scottish football over the past few seasons. Their attacking flair and ability to score goals is a pleasure for any fan to enjoy.

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Finally, the media are accepting Aberdeen as the Number One team in Scotland. Celtic and Rangers have been forced to step down to allow The Dons the privilege of being Champions. This can only be a major improvement generally to football in Scotland.

● Let's hope for the sake of Scottish football The Dons can maintain their progress... and that more clubs challenge the traditional domination of the Old Firm.

Pen-Pal

I AM an American fan of the Cosmos. I also follow European football. I would really love to correspond with football supporters from all over Great Britain and Europe. My favourite European teams are Manchester United, Liverpool, Nottm. Forest, West Bromwich Albion, Ajax of Amsterdam, St. Etienne of France, and Arsenal.

Francis Hangarter,
326 Pine Street,
Elizabeth, NJ 07206,
USA.

Petty decision

I THINK that the T.V. companies' decision to switch off the cameras at a game they are covering if any of the teams are wearing shirt advertising is ridiculous and petty.

After all, the advertising around the pitch doesn't exactly go unnoticed by the viewing public. What harm can a

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John McMaster
(Aberdeen)



few more do, especially as it brings in money that is of vital importance if the game is to survive?

Anyway, maybe it would be a good thing if the T.V. companies did stop all coverage as I'm sure gates would boom.

J. Morris,
Woodford Green.

● When you see sponsor's names banded around in other televised sports you get the impression soccer is being singled out. When the present contract ends I'm sure clubs will insist on wearing advertising during T.V. games.

Proud Ipswich

BEFORE people start knocking British football about bad behaviour, may I make this point?

Ipswich have been in Europe for the last seven or eight years. In that time they have played 17 away ties and not had one person arrested.

Paul Butcher,
Bury St. Edmunds

● Sadly, this sort of news rarely makes the headlines.

Ball-boy Shilton?

THE Americans have the knack of having everything bigger than the British. Surely the N.A.S.L. wanting to increase the size of traditional soccer goal posts is going beyond a joke?

Although the fans want to see a lot of goals, they want to see skilful and well-worked efforts, not some pot-shot from 40 yards that any man who could hit the ball straight would find easy to accomplish!

This stupid idea would simply terminate modern day strikers, and use the goalkeeper as a ball-boy to pick the ball out of the net half-a-dozen times per game!

Thomas Harris,
Camelon.

● I can still think of a few strikers who would miss, even if the goals WERE made larger!

Legends

I WAS interested to see in Danny McGrain's column that he said Charlie Nicholas was a new Denis Law. In an earlier issue Derek Johnstone said John MacDonald was a new Jimmy Greaves.

My personal opinion is that neither of these players will ever be as good as these legends. But both of them are very fine players.

Matt McQuade,
Bellfield

● I feel sorry for youngsters who are lumbered with such labels. When you think of the standards that Law and Greaves set, it's unrealistic to expect every teenager who scores a few goals to maintain this.



A deserted Upton Park for West Ham's UEFA Cup clash with Castilla.

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Fastest

Who's scored the fastest own-goal on record?

DAVE WINTER,
RICHMOND

● As far as the Football League goes, Dave, I can't trace anyone to better (?)

the unenviable fate of Everton's Tommy Wright.

He scored an own-goal against Liverpool 33 seconds from the kick-off — and then another against Manchester City in 32 seconds — on successive Saturdays in March, 1972.

Probably not even poor Tommy's 11 full England caps — and more than 300 League games for Everton — quite made up for that embarrassment!

In a Fourth Round F.A. Cup-tie in January, 1974, Bradford City defender Dave Fretwell put Luton a goal up only 20 seconds after the kick-off.

United — not City

Why is it that the record First Division gate of 83,260 — played at Maine Road, Manchester — had United, and not City, as the home side?

MARK HARRY,
PENZANCE

● You can blame the evil ways of Adolf Hitler for that little oddity, Mark! Because Old Trafford was so badly damaged in air-raids, for the opening seasons after the War United had to share Maine Road with City.

Hence that huge crowd there for a game against Arsenal on 17th January,

1948.

Even so, City themselves can beat it — 84,569 saw their own Sixth Round F.A. Cup-tie v Stoke on 3rd March, 1934.

And that is a British record for any game outside London or Glasgow.

SHORT PASSES

● First British success in the modern major Euro competitions was in 1963, when Spurs beat Atletico Madrid 5-1 to win the Cup-Winners' Cup Final.

(CHRISTOPHER RUSHTON,
Preston)

● Original 12 members when the Football League started in 1888 were: Accrington, Aston Villa, Blackburn Rovers, Bolton, Burnley, Derby, Everton, Notts County, Preston, Stoke, West Bromwich, and Wolves.

(KEVIN O'CONNOR, Eire)

The price of violence

WEST HAM must be sick at the fine imposed on them by U.E.F.A. and having to play their second-leg tie against Castilla behind closed doors.

Things are going to get tough for our clubs in European competitions. Every match involving a British side will be carefully watched — any crowd violence and they will pay dearly.

Just imagine if Liverpool or Ipswich both reached the Semi-Final or Final of their European competitions only for a few violent, idiotic fans to cause so much trouble that the teams are banned from Europe.

Sad to say, even foreign supporters could cause trouble, blame the English, and out go the likes of Liverpool or Ipswich.

It could happen and this state of affairs angers all decent supporters.

John Diamond
Hebburn

● This is always the danger, although the authorities should be able to realise what's going on. I'll be interested to see if UEFA close any other grounds following fan-violence.

ON THE BALL CROSSWORD

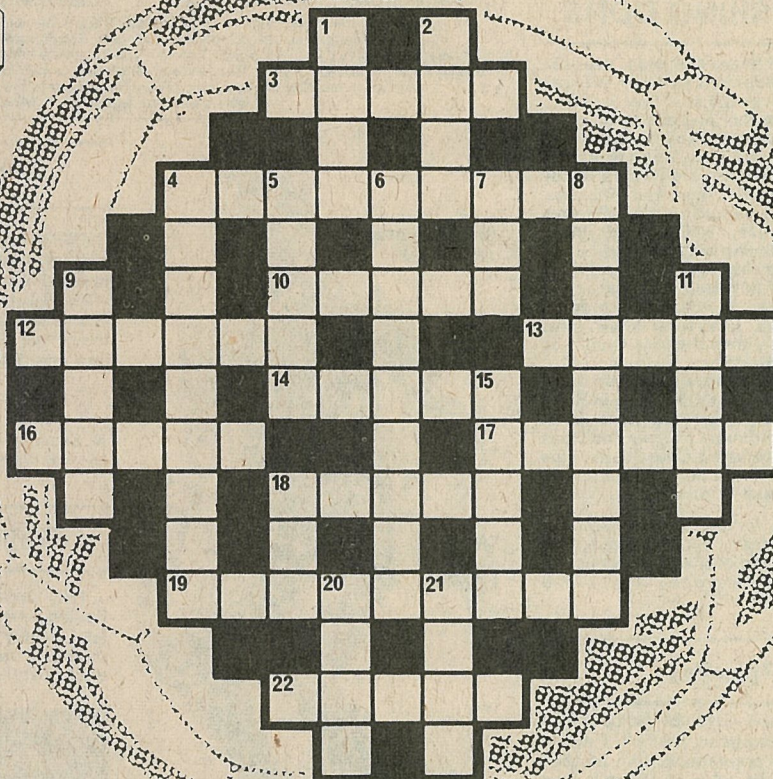
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EUROPE was once the arena where Celtic dazzled and devastated with command performances to leave fans at home and abroad breathless with excitement.

Alas, those days of mesmerising brilliance are in the past as the Parkhead men, winners of the European Cup in 1967, try desperately to put their game together in the Premier Division.

Thoughts of everlasting European glory must be pushed into the background as Celtic attempt to solve their more immediate problems on the home front.

Their stay in the European Cup-Winners' Cup this season was a short-lived one. Certainly they walloped the tongue-twisting Dysgeor Miskolc, of Hungary, 7-2 on aggregate in the Preliminary Round, but they hurtled to inglorious defeat to the unknown Timisoara of Rumania, in the First Round.

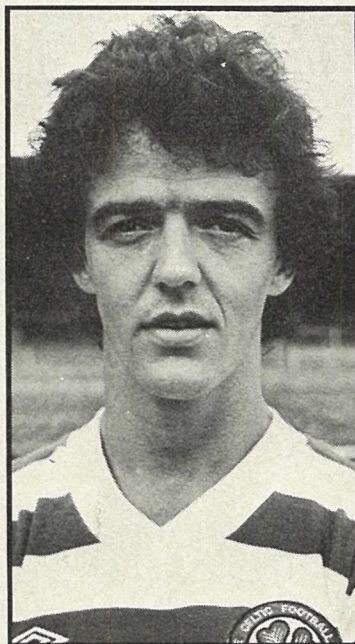
It was an angry Celtic who returned home to Scotland after seeing Roddie MacDonald and Frank McGarvey sent-off in Rumania while losing on the away goals rule.

The Parkhead side were furious with the Greek referee, who also booked four Celtic players, and they lodged an official protest with U.E.F.A.

ABOVE: Celtic manager Billy McNeill.

RIGHT: Teenage striker Charlie Nicholas has led the club's goalscoring charts this season.

BELOW: Frank McGarvey, still the most expensive player in Scotland.



In the midst of all this uproar and fury, manager Billy McNeill will have to rebuild, reshape and repair his side for the challenges that lie ahead on the home front.

Yet a club of Celtic's standing know only too well how important it is to do well on the European battleground. Reputations are made in the glamorous hot-bed of Europe, but Celtic have been failing consistently to make an impact in recent years despite reaching the European Cup Quarter-Finals last season where they eventually surrendered a 2-0 lead to Real Madrid.

"Aberdeen are taking over,"

the expected rewards.

"That is something we must remedy. We are making chances, but we are not taking them consistently enough."

McNeill, in his third year as Celtic supremo after taking over from Jock Stein, has bought and sold well in the transfer market in his efforts to restore Celtic's image.

He has bought the likes of Frank McGarvey, Davie Provan, Murdo MacLeod and Dom Sullivan as well as turning Tom McAdam from a mediocre striker into an outstanding back-four player.

He hasn't hesitated in parting with players whom he thinks can-

Billy McNeill's priority... HOME RULE FOR CELTIC



not do a job for the club. He has sold Roy Baines, Ronnie Glavin, Andy Lynch, Joe Craig and Johannes Edvaldsson among others, and the changes are bound to continue until McNeill gets a settled, winning blend.

The problems of Celtic were highlighted cruelly when they played Aberdeen at Pittodrie this season. The Parkhead side played with a flourish and style that was associated with them in the 60's.

They pounded Aberdeen for an hour and were deservedly two goals ahead when the team went to bits, eventually hanging on for a draw in a game they should have won several times over.

Bewildered

No one can blame McNeill for being slightly bewildered with his team. One minute they can be wonderful. The next they can be woeful.

Magic? Or tragic? McNeill is working day and night to solve the problems. He is looking for more from his experienced campaigners and expects to get goals from George McCluskey and Frank McGarvey, still the most expensive player in Scotland at £275,000.

Charlie Nicholas, an 18-year-old marksman of breathtaking qualities, has exploded on to the scene and given the lead to his older colleagues. He set a record for a Premier Division player by scoring in nine successive games and there are a lot more to come from this exciting youngster.

Celtic can still do things in style. But they don't do them often enough for manager Billy McNeill's liking!

Europe is a memory at the moment. The immediate target for Celtic is to regain their League crown and again rule at home.

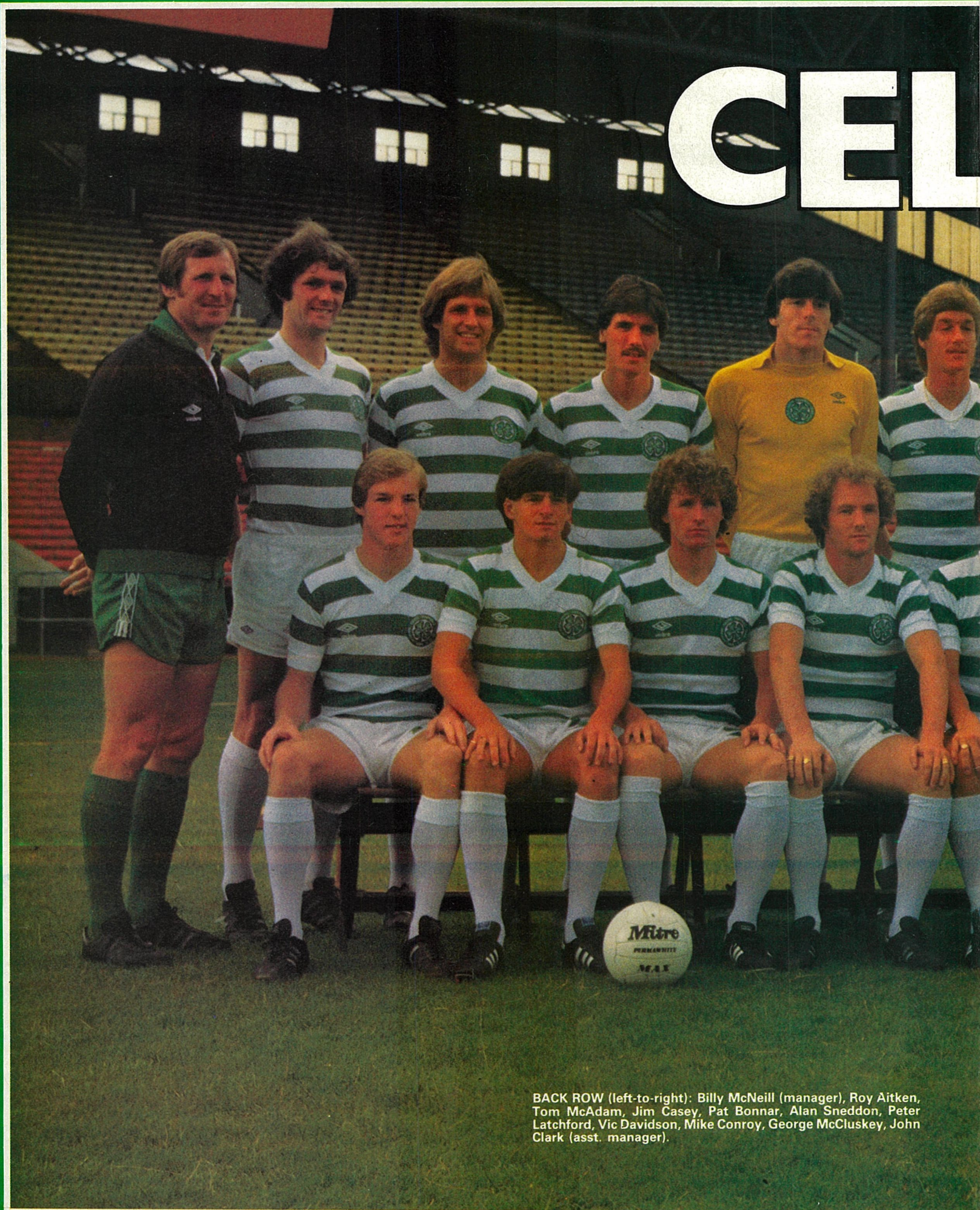
And they will not do that until they achieve consistency or start taking the chances they continually carve out.

says more than one neutral onlooker in Scotland. "Celtic and Rangers just don't have the aura they once had. Aberdeen are the team for the 80's."

The pressure and strain are telling at the moment on Celtic, who, to be fair, can still be the most entrancing, entertaining team in the land when they get into their stride.

"We are not getting enough for our efforts," says manager McNeill. "We are putting a lot into our game, we are dictating matches, but we are not reaping

CEL



BACK ROW (left-to-right): Billy McNeill (manager), Roy Aitken, Tom McAdam, Jim Casey, Pat Bonnar, Alan Sneddon, Peter Latchford, Vic Davidson, Mike Conroy, George McCluskey, John Clark (asst. manager).

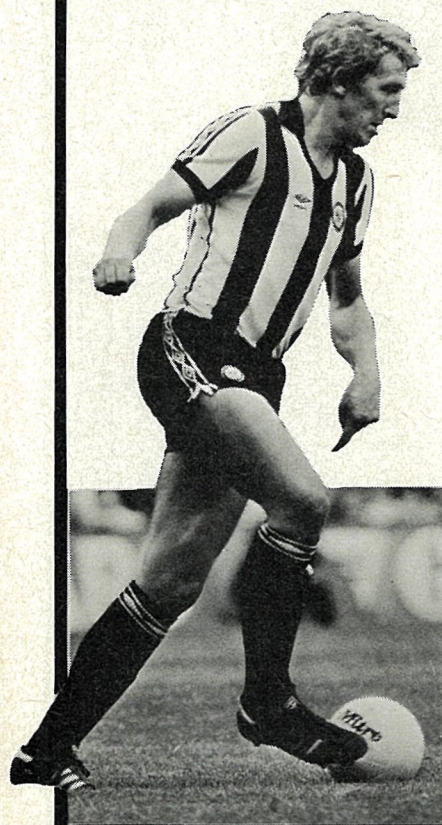
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FRONT ROW: John Halpin, Charlie Nicholas, Davie Provan, John Doyle, Danny McGrain, Dom Sullivan, Bobby Lennox, Murdo McLeod, Frank McGarvey, Brian Scott (physio).

SHOOT!

BOAM'S PERFECT PARTNER



It is over a year since Stuart Boam was transferred from Middlesbrough to Newcastle United for £140,000, and in that time the big centre-half has proved to be worth every penny of the fee paid out for him by ex-Gallowgate boss Bill McGarry.

Boam went to Tyneside with the reputation of being a key-man in the Middlesbrough defence, and he is fulfilling a similar role in the middle of the Newcastle back-four — but there are differences.

At Middlesbrough, Boam and Willie Maddren formed a long-standing and successful partnership at the back which ended with Maddren's retirement from the game due to injury.

Now, Boam reflects that a succession of centre-back partners at St James' Park has hardly given him time to become accustomed to any of them.

"John Bird was transferred to Hartlepool, David Barton is out with injury at the moment, and my latest partner is Ken Mitchell," says Stuart.

"That's the way the game goes, through at Middlesbrough Willie Maddren and I were fortunate enough to have a six-year associa-

tion which enabled us to develop a thorough understanding — each of us knew instinctively what the other would do in a particular situation, and it made our job easier.

"My present partner, Ken Mitchell, is a player I recommended after we had played together in training and practice sessions, and I'm glad that he has settled in well after David Barton damaged his ligaments.

"In a sense, my own game has possibly been affected at times by the need to concentrate on the performance of the man alongside.

'Right Lines'

"But none of us mind helping each other, and under our new manager, Arthur Cox, we are working along the right lines.

"He has said he will not alter everything in the space of two or three weeks. For example, the decision about whether to definitely favour a 4-3-3 or a 4-4-2 formation will not be made by Mr Cox until he has seen more of the team in action.

"But his knowledge of the playing pool is already pretty acute — he knows far more about me than I

know about him.

"There have been changes in our training methods. We work hard but there is a lot of variety in our sessions at the training ground, so that we finish up tired but never bored.

"As well as the pleasure we get out of our workouts, there has been the very important boost in morale among the players, from results gained and from the return of the Gallowgate roar we experienced in the game against Oldham.

"We were not at our best that day, perhaps being too anxious to please the new manager, but we are trying to do better."

Boam is hopeful that Newcastle's fortunes will improve, in the same way that Middlesbrough prospered sufficiently under Jack Charlton to gain promotion seven years ago.

"There are a great many similarities in Newcastle's situation to the one Middlesbrough were in when Jack arrived to take over as manager. He had to set about making the best use of the players at his disposal.

"Last season, at Newcastle under Bill McGarry, I thought we had cracked it — we were doing so well at one stage. But we lost our way after Mick Martin was injured.

"So far, I'm not really thinking too much about promotion — after all, it's not so long since we were bottom of the table. In the past, we haven't had the team formula right, but I believe that Mr. Cox is using the best methods to achieve this."

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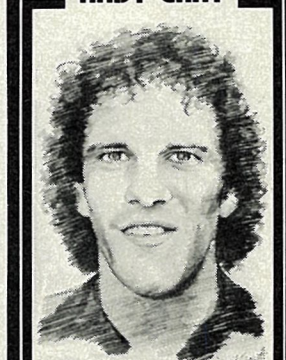
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AFTER three years semi-retirement with the Cosmos in the North American Soccer League, Franz Beckenbauer returns to his native West Germany in November. Not with Bayern Munich, the team he led to so many honours, but Hamburger SV, ironically the Bavarian club's main challengers for the title this season.

The Emperor is now 35-years-young and anyone who doubts his ability to carry on where he left off had better start preparing for some large portions of humble pie.

It's difficult to hang 'the greatest' tag on any particular player, although few would doubt Beckenbauer has been the most influential footballer in recent years.

He played in the 1966 and 1970 World Cups as a midfielder; soon afterwards, he moved back into defence and gave a new meaning to the role of sweeper.

It was suggested his talent was wasted at the back. Far from it. Beckenbauer played from the back, not at the back. Coming forward from a deep position, he was very difficult to pick up.

So why is Germany's most famous player putting his reputation on the line by coming back?

He says: "We have a saying that this is like eating warmed up soup! The answer is simply that I feel I have another two or three years football in me and this is the particular challenge I need."

"It certainly isn't money. I would have earned more by staying with the Cosmos."

"I return a better person than when I left. America has 'formed' me as a man and I like to think I've matured. Maybe that has more to do with my age, though."

HSV are playing well, and young sweeper Hieronymus has made a good job of Beckenbauer's would-be position.

Franz says diplomatically: "I don't think HSV bought me to sit on the bench, although if the team are doing particularly well then I don't expect the coach to change the side. I'd just have to wait."

Even though West Germany are Champions of Europe, there will inevitably be pressure on Beckenbauer to play for the national team again.

"I read that Paul Breitner said

Franz Beckenbauer during the glory years with Bayern.



THE EMPEROR STRIKES BACK

The Italians had played with a sweeper, a free man in defence, for years, but Beckenbauer's astute tactical brain added another dimension to the role.

He left Bayern mainly because the Cosmos made him an offer he couldn't refuse. For the past three years Beckenbauer has reverted to a midfield role, because the Americans don't pay big money for guys who only stop goals. That is not only an insult to the player, but an indictment of those in the NASL.

'Problem'

Beckenbauer could have played for the Cosmos on one leg and still been a star. He hasn't needed to break sweat, letting his head play the game while those around him ran.

One young opponent said: "They told me to mark Beckenbauer. The problem was he never had the ball — at least, that's how it seemed to me. In fact, he had more possession than anyone else, but as soon as you get near him he lays the ball off."

Beckenbauer won three Championships in four seasons and his farewell game in the Giants Stadium drew the biggest crowd of the 1980 season, over 70,000. Franz didn't receive a dollar; it wasn't a testimonial. Warner Communications had invested heavily in the German and this was a way of getting some of their bucks back...



The Emperor has swapped his Cosmos' colours for those of Hamburger SV.

that the best man to replace Beckenbauer in the side is Beckenbauer. First of all I want to establish myself with HSV. It's no good trying to walk before you can run."

It's a sad comment on the dearth of true stars that in a few months Franz Beckenbauer will almost certainly establish himself as Europe's Number One again.

BECKENBAUER'S HONOURS

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WEST GERMAN CUP
1966, 1967, 1969, 1971
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1967
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1976
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1976
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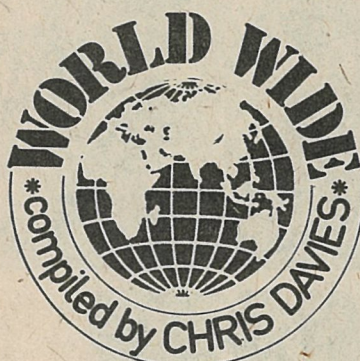
REBEL'S HOLIDAY

HONDURAN defender Gilberto Yearwood has been a great success since joining Spanish side Elche three seasons ago.

But during the summer he asked the club's permission to return to Honduras to represent his country in a World Cup qualifying match.

Elche agreed, and were amazed to hear some weeks later that Gilberto had in fact gone on holiday to Benidorm and the Costa Brava!

The Honduran is now insisting that he won't return to Elche unless they offer him considerably more money, and the Spanish authorities have now declared him a 'rebel'.



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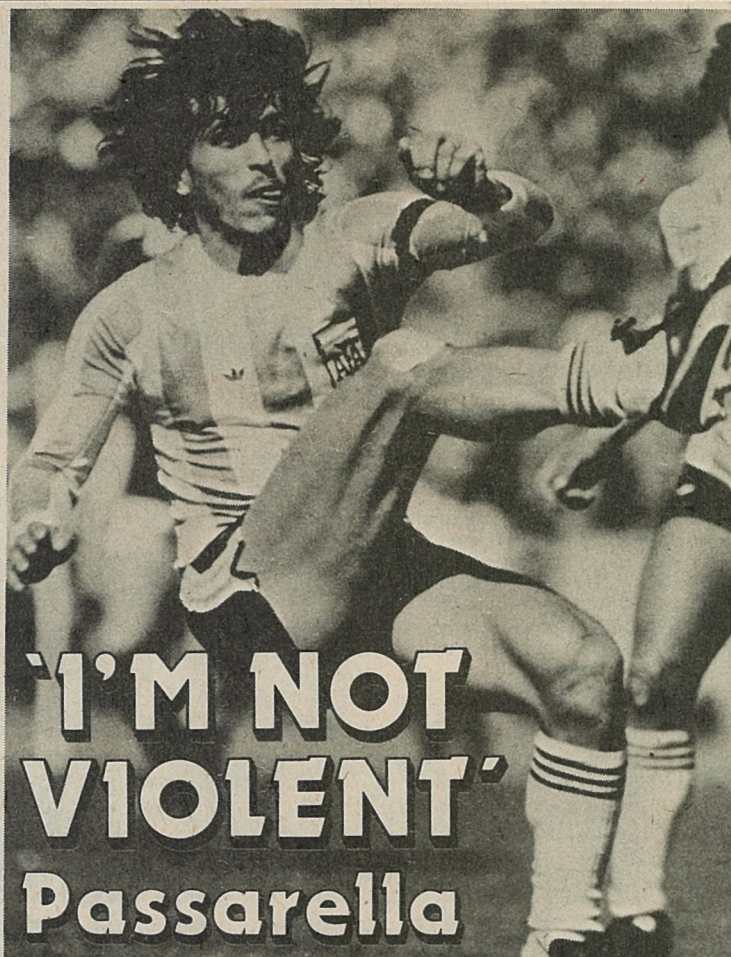
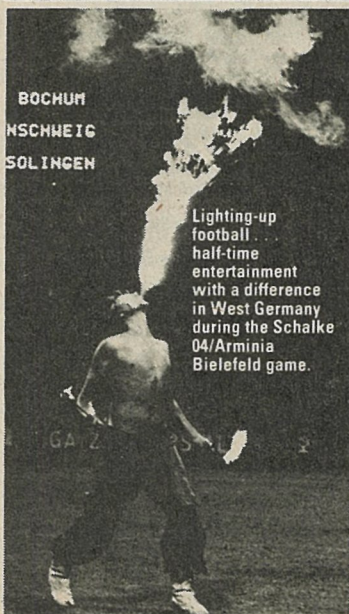
FOREST's Intercontinental Cup opponents — South American Champions Nacional of Montevideo — have an interesting case on their hands involving their international star Nelson Agresta.

The player has repeatedly failed to agree new terms with Nacional, and the club insists that there simply isn't the cash to meet his demands.

The rift reached such vehement proportions that Agresta has now been suspended, and can't even train with his team-mates.

The strange thing is that Agresta is still a firm fixture in the Uruguayan national squad — which means that he's on the list of untransferable players.

So Nacional find themselves in the interesting situation of not being able to pay Agresta, and at the same time they can't transfer him!



ARGENTINA's World Cup skipper Daniel Passarella has a reputation in Argentina as a 'hard man'. And this season there's been a good deal of muttering in the Buenos Aires Press about the River Plate defender's violent conduct on the pitch.

So much so, that weekly magazine Goles felt compelled to ask Passarella to define the difference between hard play and downright violence.

Some of the Argentina captain's replies were illuminating, to say the least...

"Look, I'm not going to make out that I'm a saint, but I promise you that I don't give any more stick than any other defender in Argentina football. A lot of things happen during a game of soccer, and it's best to just forget them as soon as the match is finished.

"I can't understand people who complain — I've never moaned when I've been injured. Anyway, just look at my record. I've only been sent off four times in my six years with River, which is not bad compared to some players and I'm sure that if the referees thought I intended to do serious harm to opponents they'd have shown me more red cards.

"No, I'm just a hard defender — though I admit that a defender has to give the odd kick to make the attackers

respect him.

"People can't seem to forget a tackle I made on Neeskens in the World Cup, but I reckon 99 per cent of Argentinians would have gone in the same way in a World Cup Final.

"And Keegan. People keep asking me why I hit Keegan as if I'd put the man in hospital. I only touched him a couple of times and, as I say, sometimes you've got to earn yourself respect with physical force.

Respect

"People forget that the foul is one of the defender's legitimate resources — an important part of his repertoire. If someone like Rene Houseman or Diego Maradona is coming at me fast with the ball under control I'm not going to try and take the

ball off him — I'm going to make sure he doesn't get past me.

"When someone's coming at top speed the best thing to do is to obstruct him or make him lose his balance so that a team-mate can take the ball from him.

"You talk about intentionally injuring a fellow professional, but in these situations where you go into the man, you've no idea how much damage you're going to do.

"South American players normally go for a 50-50 ball with their foot up, but European players go in hard and fairly.

"In our tour match against England we soon realised that they were beating us hands-down in the air, so we started going for their bodies when they jumped, to try and knock them off balance.

"But they must be used to it, because every time we tried to hit them we were the ones who hurt ourselves because they were bracing themselves against the challenge.

"Anyway, I don't want to talk any more about this. People respect me throughout the world, yet in Argentina they say I'm a violent player."

News flashes

● For beating Borussia Mönchengladbach 2-1 in a home League game the players of Fortuna Düsseldorf each received a bonus of £1,500. At that rate, it could be a very profitable campaign for the Fortuna squad if they finish among the leaders.

● Last May, supporters of French First Division club Olympique Lyon announced they were seeking donations and the proceeds of fund raising schemes to hand to their club to buy new players. They hoped to raise £300,000, but the fund recently closed its books and passed on to Olympique little more than £7,000.

● In the First Round of the Czech Cup, Champions Banik Ostrava have been beaten by a regional club Hlinsko... on penalties after a 0-0 draw. Hlinsko play in what could be termed the Fifth Division, but Banik are in good company. Of the 16 top flight clubs in the competition only eight survived including the three Prague clubs, Sparta, Dukla and Bohemians.

● Out of a total of 240 professional players in Belgium's First Division, no less than 85 are foreigners. Most are from West Germany and Holland (ten each), Denmark 8 and Yugoslavia 7.

● In the Polish Cup Second Round, four First Division clubs were knocked out by clubs from lower Divisions, including Ruch Chorzow and Wisla Krakow Champions and Cup Winners in 1979.

Maltese cross

FANS in Malta are still upset that Barcelona paid them such little respect during their U.E.F.A. Cup-tie against Sliema Wanderers.

Barcelona manager Ladislao Kubala travelled to the island with virtually a reserve team, and even two players from the club's youth team!

The Maltese fans who were hoping to see top names like Krankl, Simonsen, Asensi, Miguell and Alesanco, found to their dismay that they didn't recognise any of the names on the team-sheet.



Two and out!

THE first managerial casualty of the Spanish season was none other than Austria's 1978 World Cup manager Helmut Senekowitsch (above), sacked by Athletic Bilbao after — wait for it — just two games!

The Basques had lost at home to Zaragoza before travelling to Madrid and being thrashed 7-1 by Real.

The humiliation proved too much for the Athletic directors, and the Austrian boss was shown the door.

The players promptly rewarded new manager Inaki Saez with a 4-1 victory over Valladolid.

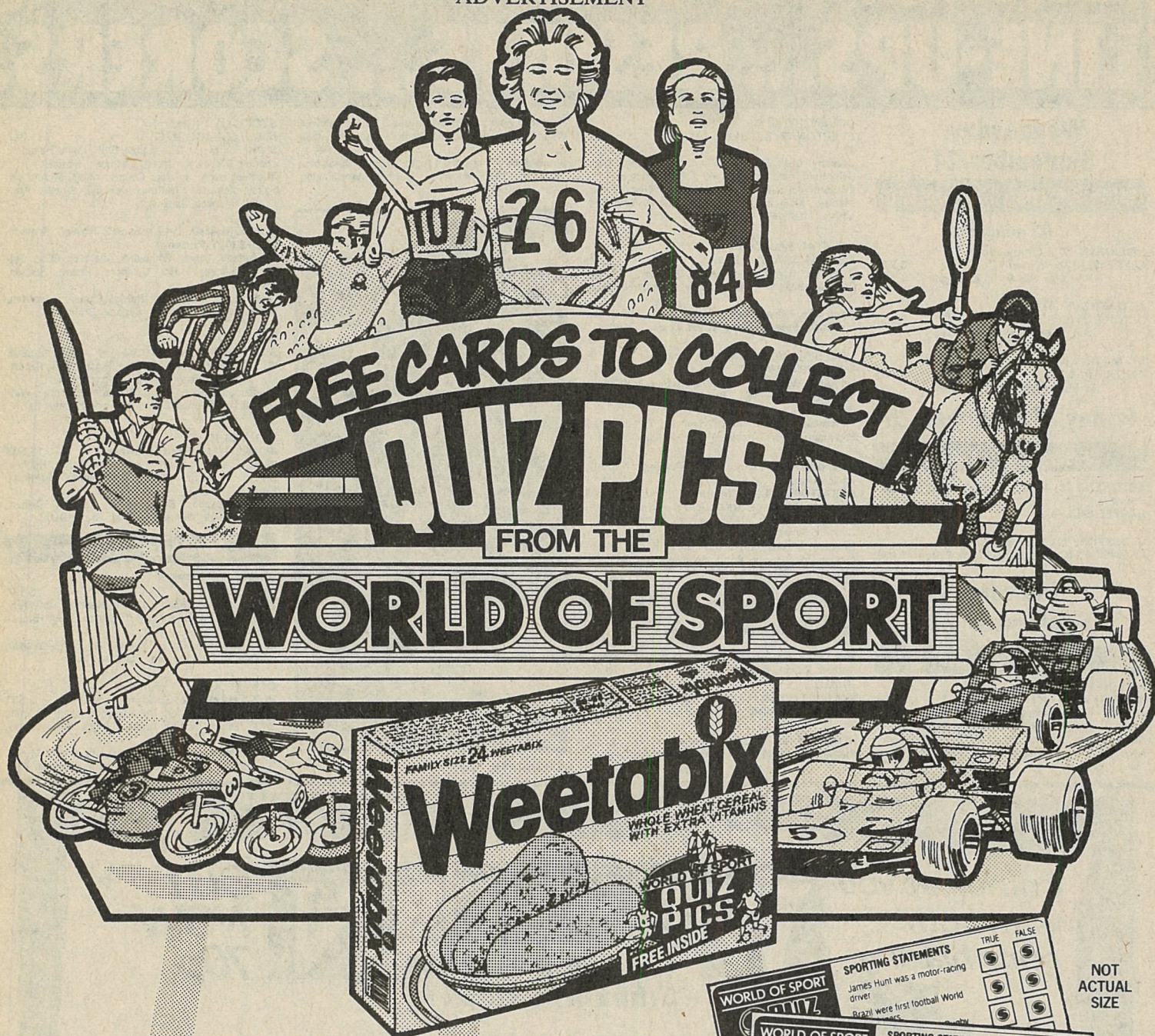
The Spaniards didn't take long to settle into their usual League routine — no fewer than 31 yellow cards were shown in nine matches on the third day of the new campaign.

And Sevilla manager Miguel Munoz became the first team boss to see the red card when he persisted in shouting instructions to his players from a position where the linesman kept bumping into him!

PELE scored the 1,246th goal of his career against a U.S. All Stars team when playing for the Cosmos in Franz Beckenbauer's farewell game for the club. The 71,413 spectators applauded — a standing ovation — when Pele pulled off a typical Pele goal.

Exchanging a quick passing movement with Komerito, Pele, at speed, lifted the ball over the opposing 'keeper's head to score Cosmos' first goal.

Pele, who was two months away from his 40th birthday, showed that he could still play in any top class team, but when asked if he was thinking of a comeback said: "No, although the idea is very tempting, I will only continue to play in festive matches or charity matches for children."



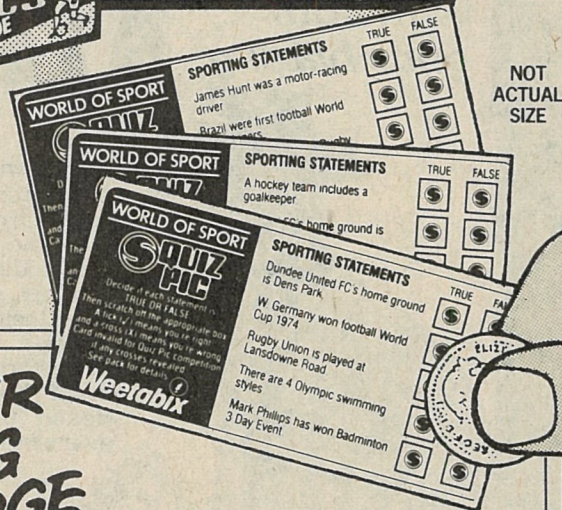
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DUNDEE (0) 0 3,500
Aet. Dundee win on penalties.

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PARTICK (0) 0 5,700
St. Mirren win 2-0 on aggregate.

Friday, September 26

Fourth Division

SOUTHEND (2) 4 (Gray, Otulakowski, Mercer, Pountney)
HARTLEPOOL (0) 0 5,112

STOCKPORT (1) 1 (Prophet (og))
CREWE (3) 3 (Coyne, Sunley (og), Palios) 3,536

**Saturday,
September 27**

First Division

ARSENAL (0) 1 (Rix)
NOTTM FOREST (0) 0 37,584
Arsenal: Wood, Devine, Sansom, Talbot, O'Leary, Young, Hollins, Sunderland, Stapleton, Gating, Rix.
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COVENTRY (0) 0
EVERTON (3) 5 (Eastoe, Latchford 2, McBride 2) 14,810
Coventry: Blyth, Coop, Jacobs, Dyson, Roberts, Blair, Daly, Hunt, Hutchison (Bodak), English, Hateley.
Everton: McDonagh, Gidman, Bailey, Wright, Lyons, Stanley, McMahon, Hartford (O'Keefe), Latchford, Eastoe, McBride.

CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0
ASTON VILLA (0) 1 (Shaw) 18,398
C Palace: Barron, Hinshelwood, Fenwick, Nicholas, Cannon, Gilbert, Smillie, Sealy, Allen, Flanagan, Murphy.
Aston Villa: Rimmer, Swain, Gibson, Evans, McNaught, Mortimer, Bremner, Shaw, Withe, Cowans, Morley.

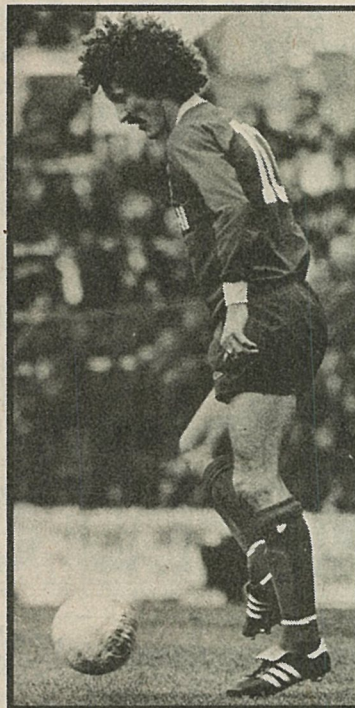
LEICESTER (0) 2 (Smith, Buchanan)
TOTTENHAM (0) 1 (Villa) 22,616
Leicester: Wallington, Carr (Welsh), Gibson, Williams, May, Scott, Goodwin, Henderson, Young, Smith, Buchanan.
Tottenham: Daines, Smith, Hughton, Yorath, Lacy, Perryman, Ardiles, Archibald, Villa, Hoddle, Crooks.

LIVERPOOL (1) 4 (Souness 2, McDermott (pen), Fairclough)
BRIGHTON (0) 1 (Horton (pen)) 35,836
Liverpool: Clemence, Neal, Cohen, Thompson, Kennedy (R), Hansen, Dalglish, Lee, Fairclough, McDermott, Souness.
Brighton: Moseley, Gregory, Williams, Horton, Foster, Lawrenson, Stevens, Ward, Robinson, Smith (Ryan), McNab.

MANCHESTER UNITED (1) 2 (Coppell, Albiston)
MANCHESTER CITY (1) 2 (Reeves, Palmer) 55,926
Man Utd: Bailey, Nicholl, Albiston, McIlroy, McQueen, Buchan, Grimes, Greenhoff, Coppell, Duxbury (Sloan), Thomas.
Man City: Corrigan, Ranson, Reid, Booth, Caton, Henry, Power, Daley, Palmer, Bennett (Sugrue), Reeves.

NORWICH (2) 2 (Paddon, Fashanu)
BIRMINGHAM (1) 2 (Ainscow, Worthington) 13,801

Norwich: Hansbury, Bond, Muzinic, Barham, Powell, Woods (Hoadley), Downs, Jack, Fashanu, Paddon, Goble.
Birmingham: Wealands, Langan, Dennis, Curbishley, Gallagher, Todd, Ainscow, Gemmill, Worthington, Givens (Lynex), Dillon.



Liverpool's Terry McDermott.

STOKE (1) 1 (Ursem)
MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 0 11,847
Stoke: Fox, Evans, O'Callaghan, Dodd, Doyle, Hampton, Thorley, Bracewell, Ursem, Chapman, Heath.
Middlesbrough: Stewart, Craggs, Angus, McAndrew, Bailey, Johnston, Mattress (Hedley), Proctor, Armstrong, Hodgson, Jankovic.

SUNDERLAND (2) 4 (Robson 2, Rowell, Brown)
LEEDS (0) 1 (Parlane)
Sunderland: Turner, Whitworth, Allardyce, Elliott, Bolton, Chisholm, Arnott, Cummins, Brown, Robson, Rowell.
Leeds: Lukic, Hird, Firm (Harris), Cherry, Stevenson, Flynn, Hart, Gray, Connor, Parlane, Graham.

WBA (0) 2 (Brown 2)
SOUTHAMPTON (0) 1 (George) 20,845
WBA: Godden, Batson, Statham, Moses, Wile, Robertson, Trewick, Brown, Regis, Owen, Barnes.
Southampton: Wells, Golac, McCartney, George, Watson, Nicholl, Keegan, Channon, Boyer, Holmes, Baker.

WOLVES (0) 0
IPSWICH (2) 2 (Brazil, Mariner) 18,503
Wolves: Bradshaw, Palmer, Parkin, Daniel, Hughes, Brazier, Villesanz, Atkinson, Gray, Clarke (Richards), Eves.
Ipswich: Cooper, Burley, Mills, Thijssen, Osman, Butcher, Wark, Muhren, Mariner, Brazil, Gates.

Second Division

BRISTOL ROVERS 0
NEWCASTLE 0 5,171
Bristol Rovers: Thomas, Jones, Hughes, McCaffery, Bater, Williams, Pullis, Mabbutt, Barrowclough (Bates), Lee, Penny.
Newcastle: Carr, Kelly, Boam, Carney, Davies, Walker, Koenen, Hibbitt, Shoulder, Rafferty, Clarke.

CAMBRIDGE (1) 1 (Finney)
WEST HAM (1) 2 (Goddard, Cross) 8,591
Cambridge: Webster, Donaldson, Buckley (O'Neill), Smith, Fallon, Gibbins, Evans, Spriggs, Reilly, Finney, Christie.
West Ham: Parkes, Stewart, Lampard, Bonds, Martin, Devonshire, Holland, Goddard, Cross, Brooking, Pike.

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LINE-UPS... RESULTS... SCORERS...

GRIMSBY 0
LUTON 0
9,044
Grimsby: Batch, Czuczman, Crosby, Waters, Wigginton, Moore, Lord, Liddell, Drinkell, Mitchell, Cumming.
Luton: Findlay, Donaghy, Aizlewood, Grealish, Saxby, Price, Hill, Stein, West, Antic (Harrow), Moss.

NOTTS CO (2) 4 (Kelly, McCulloch, O'Brien (pen), Hooks)
CARDIFF (1) 2 (Dwyer, Kitchen)
7,229
Notts Co: Avramovic, Benjamin, Kilcline, Richards, O'Brien, Kelly, Harkouk, Hunt, Hooks, McCulloch, Christie.
Cardiff: Grotier, Grapes, Pontin, Dwyer, Lewis, Maddy (Thomas), Ronson, Buchanan, Micaleff, Kitchen, Stevens.

OLDHAM (0) 1 (Stainrod)
BOLTON (1) 1 (Cantello)
10,174
Oldham: McDonnell, Hoolickin, Blair, Kowenicki, Clements, Hurst, Wyld, Fitcher, Stainrod, Keegan, Atkinson.
Bolton: Poole, Graham, Burke, Cantello, Jones, Walsh, Thompson, Whatmore, Gowing, Kidd, Hoggan.

ORIENT (1) 1 (Moore)
DERBY (0) 0
5,490
Orient: Day, Fisher, Roffey, Taylor, Gray, Parsons, Chiedoie, Moore, Mayo, Bowles, Margerrison.
Derby: Jones, Emery, Buckley, Powell (S), McFarland, Osgood, Skivington (Ramage), Powell (B), Biley, Swindlehurst, Emson.

PRESTON 0
SHREWSBURY 0
6,309
Preston: Tunks, Westwell (Elliott), O'Riordan, Baxter, McAteer, Coleman, Doyle, Bell, Sayer, McGee, Houston.
Shrewsbury: Wardle, King, Keay, Griffin, Larkin, Tong, Lindsay (Atkins), Turner, Pettus, Dungworth, Biggins.

Q.P.R. (2) 4 (Neal 2, Shanks, Landley)
BRISTOL CITY (0) 0
8,551
Q.P.R.: Woods, McCreery, Gillard, Waddock, Wicks, Roeder, Neal, Shanks, Langley, Currie, Burke.
Bristol City: Cashley, Tainton, Sweeney, Gow, Whitehead, Merrick, Fitzpatrick, Mann, Ritchie, Mabbutt, Pritchard (Smith).

SWANSEA (1) 2 (Giles, Charles)
SHEFF WED (1) 3 (Hornsby, Pearson, McCulloch)
9,764
Swansea: Stewart, Attley, Stevenson, Phillips, Hadziabdic, Marustik (Mahoney), Robinson, Charles, Giles, Waddie, James (L).
Sheff Wed: Cox, Blackhall, Smith, Pickering, Grant, Leman, Hornsby, Taylor, Pearson, Mellor, McCulloch.

WATFORD (0) 2 (Callaghan, Bolton pen)
CHELSEA (0) 3 (Walker 2, Lee)
19,802
Watford: Steele, Henderson, Jackett, Blissett, Sims, Bolton, Callaghan, Poskett, Jenkins, Train, Rostron.
Chelsea: Borota, Wilkins, Rofe, Bumstead, Droy, Chivers, Britton, Fillery, Lee, Walker, Rhoades-Brown.

WREXHAM (0) 0
BLACKBURN (0) 1 (McKenzie)
10,913
Wrexham: Davies, Hill, Cegielski, Davis, Jones, Sutton, Carrodus, Cartwright, Vinter, Edwards, Fox.
Blackburn: Butcher, Branagan, Keeley, Fazackerley, DeVries, Kendall, McKenzie, Speight, Stonehouse (Parkes), Garner, Brotherston.

Third Division

BRENTFORD (1) 2 (Jenkins, Funnell)
HULL (2) 2 (Edwards, Swann)
6,300

BURNLEY (1) 5 (Hamilton, Dobson, Taylor 3 (1 pen))
MILWALL (0) 0
5,643

CARLISLE (2) 2 (Staniforth (pen), Coady)
CHESTERFIELD (3) 6 (Birch 3, Moss 2, Walker)
4,256

COLCHESTER (0) 1 (Lee)
CHESTER (0) 1 (Jones)
2,147

EXETER (3) 4 (Kellow 3, Prince)
CHARLTON (2) 3 (Hales, Robinson 2)
4,916

GILLINGHAM (0) 1 (Burton (o.g.))
OXFORD (0) 1 (Lythgoe)
4,137

NEWPORT (0) 0
PLYMOUTH (0) 2 (Sims, Kemp)
6,878

PORTSMOUTH (0) 1 (Gregory)
FULHAM (0) 0
16,460

READING (2) 3 (Earles 2, Webb)
BARNLEY (2) 2 (Banks, Parker)
5,380

SHEFF UTD (0) 1 (Ryan)
ROTHERHAM (1) 2 (Finney, Rhodes)
17,955

SWINDON (0) 1 (Rowland)
HUDDERSFIELD (0) 0
5,856

WALSALL (1) 2 (Rees, McDonough)
BLACKPOOL (1) 2 (Morris 2)
4,227

Fourth Division

BOURNEMOUTH (1) 2 (Morgan, Massey)
ROCHDALE (1) 1 (Hilditch)
2,557

BRADFORD (0) 0
TRANMERE (1) 3 (Beamish, Lumby 2)
3,628

BURY (0) 2 (Johnson, Madden)
PORT VALE (0) 1 (Keenan)
2,341

DARLINGTON (1) 1 (Walsh)
ALDRSHOT (2) 2 (Brodie, Garwood)
1,933

HALIFAX (0) 0
WIMBLEDON (0) 1 (Leslie)
1,407

HEREFORD (1) 4 (White pen, Jones, Price (G), Bartley)
NORTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Phillips pen)
2,695

LINCOLN (1) 2 (Hartford, Hughes)
SCUNTHORPE (1) 2 (Ashworth, Thompson (S) (o.g.))
4,209

MANSFIELD (2) 3 (Pollard, Hamilton, Allen)
WIGAN (0) 1 (Hutchinson)
3,402

TORQUAY (1) 2 (Cooper, Fell pen)
PETERBOROUGH (0) 0
2,090

YORK (0) 0
DONCASTER (1) 1 (Mell)
4,641

Scottish Premier

ABERDEEN (0) 2 (McGhee, McAdam (og))
CELTIC (2) 2 (Nicholas, Burns)
23,000
Aberdeen: Leighton, Kennedy, Hamilton (Scanlon), Watson, Rougvie, Miller, Strachan, McMaster, McGhee, Bell, Hewitt (McCall).
Celtic: Bonnar, Sneddon, McGrain, McAdam, MacDonald, Conroy, Provan, Sullivan, McGarvey (Doyle), Burns (McLeod), Nicholas.

AIRDRIE (0) 1 (McGuire)
KILMARNOCK (0) 0
2,000

Airdrie: Martin, Erwin, Rodger (McKeown), Walker, Anderson (G), Anderson (N), McGuire, Clarke, McVeigh (Thomson), Gordon, McCullough.
Kilmarnock: Brown, McLean, Robertson, Mauchlen, Clarke, McDicken, Gibson (Clark), Maxwell, Bourke, Cramond, Street (Armstrong).

DUNDEE UTD (0) 1 (Dodds)
HEARTS (1) 1 (O'Connor)
6,263

Dundee Utd: McAlpine, Kirkwood, Stark, Holt, Hegarty, Narey, Bannon (Kopel), Sturrock, Pettigrew (Milne), Payne, Dodds.
Hearts: Brough, Jeffries, Shields, Denny, McVie, Kidd, Bowman, Gibson, O'Connor, Robertson (Robinson), McDonald.

MORTON (0) 1 (Ritchie)
PARTICK (0) 2 (O'Hara, Watson)
5,000

Morton: Baines, Hayes (McLaren), Holmes, Rooney, McLaughlin, Orr, McNeil, Cochran, Thomson, Hutchison (Tolmie), Ritchie.
Partick: Rough, Doyle, Whittaker, Gibson, Campbell, Welsh, Park, O'Hara, Higgins, Watson, Jardine.

RANGERS (0) 2 (Bett, Cooper)
ST. MIRREN (0) 0
25,000

Rangers: McCloy, Jardine, Miller, Johnstone (Johnston), Jackson, Bett, McLean, MacDonald, McAdam (Forsyth), Redford, Cooper.
St. Mirren: Thomson, Young, Beckett, Richardson, McCormack, Copland, McDougall, Stark, Somner, Weir, Bone (Abercromby).

Scottish First

AYR (1) 2 (Frye, Larnach)
DUNFERMLINE (0) 0
3,170

DUMBARTON (1) 1 (Gallagher)
MOTHERWELL (0) 2 (Kidd (pen), McKeever)
1,000

E. STIRLING (3) 5 (Rennie, McCaig 2, Sharp, Robertson)
BERWICK (0) 1 (McDowell)
500

HAMILTON (2) 3 (McDowall, Wright, McDougall)
RAITH (0) 1 (Harris)
1,500

HIBERNIAN (1) 4 (Wilson, Connolly, Rae, MacLeod)
CLYDEBANK (1) 1 (Fallon)
5,000

ST. JOHNSTONE (0) 0
FALKIRK (0) 0
2,065

STIRLING (1) 1 (Irvine)
DUNDEE (0) 1 (Shirra pen)
1,500

Scottish Second

ALLOA (0) 1 (Holt)
ALBION (0) 0
650

ARBROATH (0) 2 (Mylles (2 pens))
BRECHIN (1) 2 (Henderson, Cyles)
895

CLYDE (1) 2 (Masterton, Edgar)
FORFAR (0) 1 (Wildridge)
600

COWDENBEATH (0) 1 (Stewart)
MEADOWBANK (0) 0
400

E. FIFE (0) 1 (Mitchell)
QoS (1) 1 (Coughlan)
603

MONTROSE (0) 1 (Robb)
STENHOUSEMUIR (2) 3 (Murray, Jenkins (pen), Dunn)
400

STRANRAER (2) 2 (Hood, Murphy)
QUEEN'S PARK (1) 1 (McCoy)
450

Monday, September 29

Fourth Division

PORT VALE (1) 2 (Beech, Allen)
STOCKPORT (0) 0
2,835

TRANMERE (3) 5 (Beamish, Peplow, Lumby 3)
YORK (0) 0
1,595

Tuesday, September 30

Football League Cup

(Third Round replays)

CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 1 (Allen pen)
TOTTENHAM (0) 3 (Hodde, Crooks, Villa) AET.
26,409

C. Palace: Barron, Hinshelwood, Fenwick, Nicholas, Cannon, Gilbert, Smillie, Francis, Allen, Flanagan, Murphy.
Tottenham: Daines, Smith, Hughton, Yorath, Lacy, Perryman, Ardies, Archibald, Villa, Hoddle, Crooks.



PORTSMOUTH (1) 2 (Gregory 2)
BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 0
18,968

Portsmouth: Mellor, McLaughlin, Viney, Brisley, Aizlewood, Garner, Gregory, Laidlaw, Perrin, Bryant, Rogers.
Bristol Rovers: Thomas, Jones, Bater, Barrowclough, Mabbutt, Hughes, Puls, Williams, Bates, Penny, Lee.

Third Division

BARNLEY (0) 0
BRENTFORD (1) 1 (Walker)
11,227

CHESTERFIELD (3) 3 (Moss, Walker, Birch)
COLCHESTER (0) 0
6,674

HUDDERSFIELD (1) 1 (Kindon pen.)
GILLINGHAM (0) 0
7,716

HULL 0
BURNLEY 0
5,497

MILLWALL (1) 3 (Mitchell 2, Gregory)
CARLISLE (0) 0
3,168

PLYMOUTH (1) 2 (Bason, Kemp)
READING (1) 1 (Beavon)
11,480

ROTHERHAM (1) 2 (Moore, Seasman)
WALSALL (0) 1 (Paul)
6,842

Fourth Division

ALDRSHOT 0
LINCOLN 0
4,970

DONCASTER (1) 2 (Warboys, Lister)
TORQUAY (0) 0
6,916

HARTLEPOOL (1) 1 (Lawrence)
BOURNEMOUTH (0) 0
2,405

NORTHAMPTON (0) 0
BRADFORD (1) 1 (Cooper)
2,293

ROCHDALE 0
HEREFORD 0
2,328

SCUNTHORPE (2) 3 (Cammack 2, Partridge pen)
DARLINGTON (0) 0
2,106

WIMBLEDON (1) 2 (Hubbick, Leslie)
MANSFIELD (1) 1 (Austin)
2,052

ANGLO SCOTTISH CUP

(Quarter-Final, second-leg)

MORTON (1) 1 (Ritchie pen)
NOTTS COUNTY (0) 1 (O'Brien)
Notts County win 3-1 on aggregate.

Wednesday, October 1

European Cup

(First Round, second-leg)

AUSTRIA VIENNA 0
ABERDEEN 0
45,000

Austria Vienna: Koncilia, Sara (R), Obermayer (Pfieler), Bdumeister, Sara (J), Dihanich, Daxbacher, Furst, Gasselich, Schachner, Zore (Borgan).
Aberdeen: Leighton, Kennedy, Rougvie, Miller, Watson, Strachan, McMaster, McGhee, Scanlon, Bell, Garner.

(Aberdeen win 1-0 on agg.)

Tottenham 'keeper Barry Daines under pressure during their 3-1 League Cup victory against Crystal Palace.

LIVERPOOL (4) 10 (Souness 3 (1 pen), Fairclough 2, McDermott 3, Lee, Kennedy (R))
OPS OULON (0) 1 (Armstrong)
21,013

Liverpool: Clemence, Neal, Cohen, Thompson, Kennedy (R), Hansen, Dalglish, Lee, Fairclough, McDermott, Souness.
Oulun: Rantanen, Lahtinen, Ahonen, Haikinen, Kempainen (Juntunen), Puotiniemi, Houtsonen, Smith, Jalasvaara (Matera), Armstrong, Himanka.

(Liverpool win 11-2 on aggregate.)

NOTTM. FOREST (0) 0
CSKA SOFIA (1) 1 (Kerimov)
25,818

Nottm. Forest: Shilton, Anderson, Gray, McGovern, Needham, Burns (Lloyd), O'Neill, Bowyer, Birtles, Wallace, Robertson.
CSKA: Velmov, Zafirov, Dimitrov, Vasilev, Rangelov, Iliev, Yonchev, Kerimov, Djizov, Markov, Volkov.
(CSKA win 2-0 on agg.)

Cup-Winners' Cup

(First Round, second-leg)

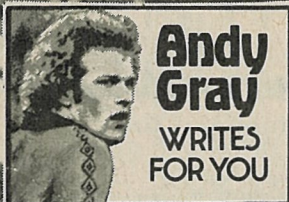
CRUSADERS 0
NEWPORT 0
2,000

(Newport win 4-0 on agg.)

TIMISOARA (0) 1 (Paltinisan)
CELTIC (0) 0
50,000

Timisoara: Moise, Nadu, Serbanoiu, Paltinisan, Sunda, Dumitru, Maned, Visan, Dembrovski, Angel, Nedelcu.
Celtic: Latchford, Sneddon, McAdam, McDonald, McGrain, Sullivan, Aitken, MacLeod, McGarvey, Nicholas, Provan.

(Timisoara win on away goals.)



Andy Gray
WRITES
FOR YOU



WOLVES' poor results in the opening two months of the season would worry me if we were playing badly, but our performances, generally, have been good. In fact, at times we have played some outstanding football, with nothing to show for it in return.

So I'm not unduly worried about the situation. I'm sure that if we continue to play as we have been the results will come.

Of course, we must stop giving away silly goals. I know we haven't been scoring too many, but any side, to be successful, must keep it tight at the back.

We've been giving away goals from corners, where the marking has been haphazard, while one or two individual mistakes have been punished. With the amount of time put in during training on set piece movements, it's unforgivable to leave an opponent unmarked at free-kicks.

now instead of a handful with just a little more luck.

I don't go along with those who suggest last season's position was a false one. We fully deserved to finish sixth. I'd say our current position is more of a false one.

Sidelined

What has pleased me has been the form of the players who have come into the side this term. Most of the first teamers have been sidelined at one time or another — which hasn't helped us — but Rafael Villansanz, Wayne Clarke, Colin Brazier and Hugh Atkinson have done extremely well.

Rafael, our Uruguayan defender, is probably ahead of schedule. Once he can communicate with us properly he'll be even better. As it is, his presence in the back four has meant a slight change in tactics, as we now try to play the ball from

'NOT TOO WORRIED ABOUT POOR RESULTS'

I don't like to use bad luck as an excuse, although the breaks haven't been coming our way. It's the usual story. Had we been doing well, the shot that hits the post would go in. Struggling teams never seem to have the rub of the green.

For instance, we should have hammered Ipswich at Molineux. We were all over them. They had two shots and were 2-0 up at half-time.

I haven't been satisfied with my one-goal-every-three-matches average. Having said that, I feel I'm playing well and finding good goal-scoring positions.

I'm far more confident physically than I was last season and have regained the aggression of three years ago before a run of injuries plagued me.

I'm not going to change my style. Again, I'd be worried if I wasn't getting any chances. Sooner or later shots that have hit defenders or the woodwork will go in the goal.

I could have had a dozen goals by



LEFT: "Defeat at Everton was just one of a few poor results for Wolves this season."

RIGHT: "Colin Brazier, an outstanding young prospect at Molineux."

defence, which Raf is so good at.

Football is not so much a team game as a squad game. Managers don't think about 11, but 15 or 16. John Barnwell knows that he can draft in youngsters such as Wayne Clarke, confident they'll do a fine job for the side.

Whatever you may have read, John Barnwell is still very much in charge of the team. He has, however, taken on a wider responsibility within the club, as he felt Wolves needed more guidance. I don't know what will happen in the future, obviously. Right now, Richie Barker has a lot of control over training etc., but the boss is ... well, still the boss.

Changing the subject, I was

potential, only to fall away. This, I believe, is largely because their attitude is wrong. I know Gordon well, and his attitude has never been in question.

For a midfielder, he has everything. Vision, cool on the ball under pressure, two good feet, can do the easy and difficult thing, tackles strongly and isn't afraid to try the unusual. If Gordon keeps working at his game he should have a long international career ahead of him. It's up to the lad, now.

Meanwhile, I was also happy to see my old club Dundee United doing so well in the U.E.F.A. Cup. I don't know how they got on against Lokeren this week in the Second Round as I write, but the seven goals against Slask Wroclaw must have relieved manager Jim McLean of the pressure from some disappointing Premier results.

My fingers have also been crossed that Aberdeen could beat Liverpool. As a Scot, I hope The Dons can not only beat Liverpool, but go on to win the European Cup.

I expect Aberdeen to be a tougher proposition than many English fans think, although I would

LEFT: "I was delighted to see my former Aston Villa team-mate Gordon Cowans called into the full England squad for the recent game against Rumania."



never put any money on an England/Scotland clash!

I remember when Celtic beat Leeds in the European Cup ten years ago. As a kid I was a Rangers fan, so I had mixed feelings. Because I'm Scottish I was naturally delighted to see one of our clubs beat the English. Shame it had to be Celtic ...!

This Saturday (October 25th) we face England's Scottish team — Leicester City. Manager Jock Wallace, whom I know quite well, has more than the usual quota of Scots in his team.

I'm not surprised it's taken City a while to come to terms with life in Division One. Many of their players are young and new to the First Division, so it can't have been easy for them.

They're full of running, though, and I'm sure Jock can guide them to a safe place at the end of the season.

Join me in two weeks,

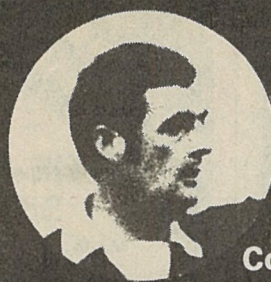
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delighted, if not surprised, to see Gordon Cowans called up by England. Those who have read my column over the past few years will know how highly I rate my former Aston Villa team-mate.

My main hope now is that when Gordon eventually gets his chance to play for the full England side he is relaxed and plays his natural game. He shouldn't worry because he has so much talent, but I know what a big ordeal it is making your international debut.

I think it's a good idea to call in a couple of youngsters, as Ron Greenwood did with Gordon and Justin Fashanu, while not actually playing them. Next time, both will be more confident ... they'll know the other players better ... and won't feel strange.

A lot of young players show



YOU ARE THE REF

Compiled by CLIVE THOMAS

1

You are cautioning a goalkeeper for time-wasting when he pushes the ball into an opponent's face. Should you (a) send him off, or (b) award a penalty instead of an indirect free-kick?



2

At half-time the home team changes into a different coloured kit. Should you allow this?



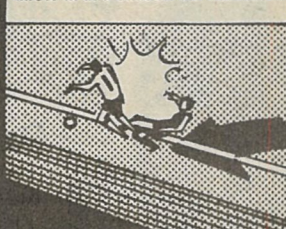
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A forward standing offside in the penalty-area receives a throw-in and is tripped by a defender. Should you award (a) a penalty or (b) an indirect free-kick against the attacker for offside?



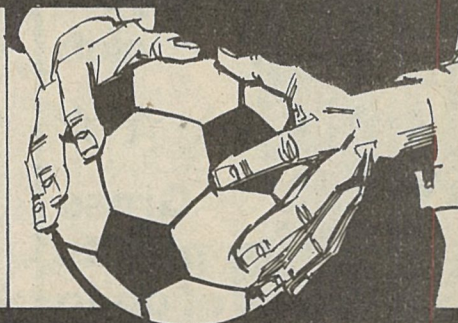
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A winger runs the ball into touch, and is then tripped by an opponent. Should you award (a) a throw in, (b) a free-kick against the defender on the touch-line or (c) a throw-in and caution the defender?



5

When the home club official brings in the ball before the match have you — after examining it — the power to refuse to play with it?



ANSWERS

1. Send him off (a). 2. No. 3. Award a penalty (b). 4. Award a throw in and caution the defender (c). 5. Yes. At the World Cup Final in Germany the referee had the choice of 12 footballs, four white, four orange and four black and white. At Arsenal for the local derby game with Tottenham, an official came in with two balls. I then chose the match ball which remained with me to take on to the pitch. The other is taken by the official for a replacement when required. At the World Cup Final in Germany the referee had the choice of 12 footballs, four white, four orange and four black and white.

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THE Derby County Supporters' Shop sells a T-shirt which proclaims: "We'll Be Back." It doesn't specify any particular date, but on the evidence of the Second Division so far, it could well be in 1981.

The Rams have had neither a brilliant nor poor start to the season; after 11 games they were tucked in nicely behind the pacemakers, although manager Colin Addison was far from happy with the opening weeks of the campaign.

"Our performances have left a lot to be desired. Until we beat Sheffield Wednesday at the beginning of October we had not managed the sort of form I've been looking for.

"After we lost at Orient I took the drastic step of playing four first teamers in the reserves, including skipper Steve Powell and striker Alan Biley.

"It seemed to work, as Bi-Bi showed much of his old zip afterwards. I want my players to pull their socks up and accept responsibility."

Bi-Bi, the darlin' of the Baseball Ground, accepted the temporary demotion with the sort of professionalism Addison is looking for.

The former Cambridge United

striker and winner of the Rod Stewart look-alike competition said: "Although the results weren't too bad, the team hadn't really been clicking. The boss was probably right when he said that we need to work even harder."

Addison commented: "Alan Biley and Dave Swindlehurst cost £750,000 between them. Of course they're going to be under pressure to score ... people have come to

By Chris Davies

expect it of them.

"Although we were relegated last season, we made a great fight of it and almost stayed up. During that late run we played some outstanding football, both at home and away. The side is still virtually the same and that's the standard I'm searching for — consistently."

Derby's defence is solid. Goalkeeper Roger Jones is a firm favourite with the fans, while young Steve Emery, who took over when David Langan signed for Birmingham, is a battler.

Central defenders Keith Osgood and Roy McFarland are as good as any in Division Two, and there is £150,000 signing from Middlesbrough Alan Ramage to keep them on their toes. Left-back Steve Buckley is rarely caught out and

supplements the attack with some fine overlaps.

Steve Powell has his critics, but the midfielder never pretends to be a particularly creative player. He is the anchor man in the middle of the park and allows more attacking players such as Barry Powell, Jonathan Clark and Glenn Skivington to go forward.

Up-front, winger Paul Emson has been a revelation this season. He is growing in confidence all the time and is now prepared to take a man on rather than pass.

Addison, worried about cover for his strikers, brought Kevin Hector back from the USA, a move which certainly pleased the fans ... and 'Zak' won't let the team down when they need him.

It's taken Derby a while to come to grips with Division Two. Keith Osgood, the former Spurs and Coventry stopper explains: "The

ADDISON SOUNDS A WARNING



Second Division is more of a rush. Play has less of a pattern about it and it takes some getting used to.

"Obviously there is less skill in the Second, but the speed at which the game is played makes victory just as hard to come by.

"As a central defender I've found I'm busier in Division Two as more balls seem to be played high into the penalty-area. Luckily I have someone like Roy McFarland alongside me and a goalkeeper of Roger Jones' calibre to command the area."

McFarland, who has just played his 500th game for The Rams, is as cool as ever; what a tragedy this fine defender's career was interrupted by a series of injuries.

Off the field, Derby work hard at keeping up with the times. The club are rightly proud that their Junior Rams supporters' club was the first of its kind, while there are executive boxes for those who want to view in comfort.

The club's official newspaper/programme, The Ram, now in its tenth season, does a first-class job in keeping the fans in touch with what's going on at the Baseball Ground.

British Midlands are featured on the players' shirts. Everything about Derby is worthy of the First Division ... now it's up to the team to get them back there.

ABOVE LEFT: Derby manager Colin Addison.

LEFT: Alan Biley, the darling of the Baseball Ground, takes on the Q.P.R. defence single-handed.

Welcome to THE BASEBALL GROUND



DERBY COUNTY

BACK ROW (left-to-right): Colin Addison (manager), Richie Norman (reserve team coach), Barry Powell, Steve Buckley, Roger Jones, Steve

Cherry, Aiden McCaffery (now Bristol Rovers), Steve Emery, John Newman (assistant-manager), Gordon Guthrie (physio).

MIDDLE ROW: Paul Emson, Steve Powell, Roy McFarland, Keith Osgood, Dave Swindlehurst, Alan Biley.

FRONT ROW: Jonathan Clark, Steve Carter, Kevin Wilson, Gerry Daly (now Coventry).

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SHOOT!

JOE Gallagher looks back on Birmingham's gruelling introduction to the season and says: "We have made a reasonable start, particularly in view of the difficulty of our opening fixture list."

But the fact that Gallagher is satisfied with his club's early-season results on their return to the First Division doesn't prevent him from looking for some improvement in Birmingham's performances.

He says: "Having played against some of the top teams, I reckon that if we mean to get up there among them, we must score more goals."

"We haven't been sticking the ball in the back of the net often enough, but sometimes a side can have a run of this sort of thing, then the goals suddenly start coming. This is what I hope will happen to us."

"Talking about goals, one of the best I've seen came from Kenny Dalglish in our match against Liverpool. Jimmy Case gathered the ball on the wing, and when he crossed it to the edge of the box, Kenny met it on the volley to blast it home."

"Liverpool convinced me that they are not slipping, as some people think."

For Gallagher, this season is extra special, with Birmingham City back in the top flight, and also because 1980-81 is his benefit season.

"This would be the ideal time for us to win a trophy," says Joe. "The F.A. Cup, the League Cup or the First Division Championship — to lift any of these would be terrific, though realistically we may have to be content with a spot in the

upper half of the table."

"The season we spent in the Second Division seemed a long time, playing at smaller grounds and missing the excitement of places such as Old Trafford and Anfield."

"To me, there is no other ground like the home of the Champions, yet St. James' Park at Newcastle is a close second despite the fact they are in the Second Division."

Gallagher, at 25, has years ahead of him in which to pursue his two main ambitions.

"I want Birmingham not only to just survive in the First Division, but to make their presence felt."

"While I'm doing my best for the club, I'll be striving to gain something which I almost had once — international recognition."

'Selected'

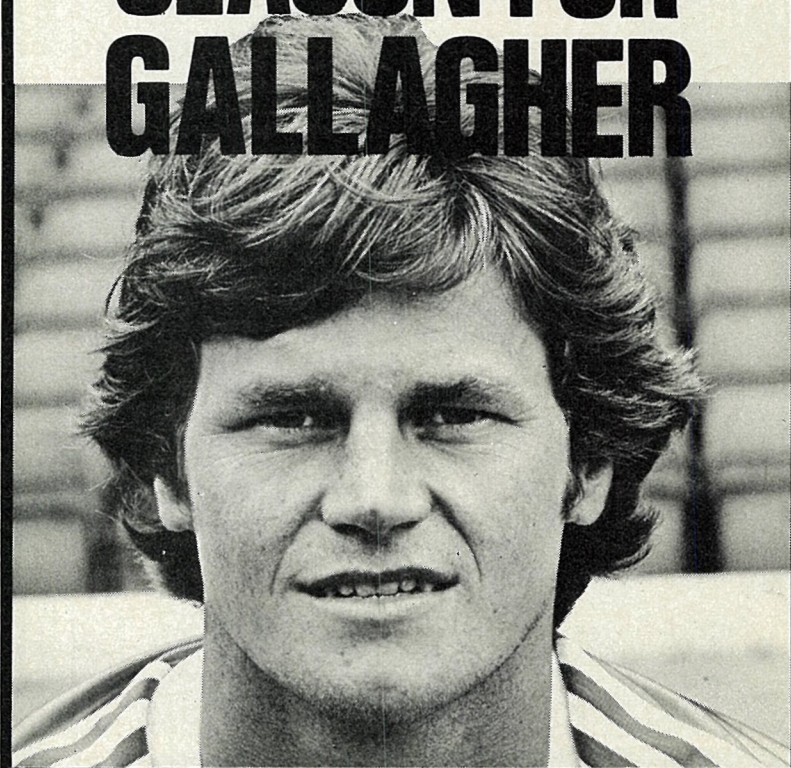
"When Don Revie was the England manager, I received a letter from him to say I was selected for the Under-23 side. Then he discovered I was two days over the age limit and I missed my chance."

"It was my greatest disappointment, and more bad luck followed when I broke a leg. But I still want to play for my country."

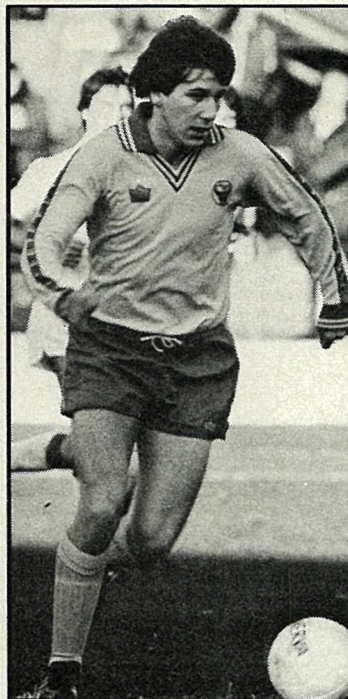
Gallagher, born in Liverpool, was a product of the Birmingham City youth scheme and has given good service to his club.

The big centre-back has also operated in midfield and as a striker, and says: "I like my job of coming up against the top strikers and trying to stop them scoring — but if I can sneak an odd goal or two for myself this season it will be a great bonus."

AN EXTRA~SPECIAL SEASON FOR GALLAGHER



BROCK READY FOR THE BIG TIME



KEVIN Brock, just 18 and one of the most exciting talents in British football, says firmly: "I want First Division football." And that answers the one doubt over the Oxford United attacking midfield prospect.

Brock, who comes from a tiny Oxfordshire village, stunned the football world last season when he personally rejected a £200,000 move to Brighton — after Alan Mullery had swooped following just a handful of first team games by the former England schools international.

"I just did not feel that Brighton was the right club for me," says Brock. "But I am ambitious: very ambitious. And I've told our manager Bill Asprey that I want to play in top class football . . . when everything is right."

Wisely, Asprey has never added extra pressure on his dazzling young matchwinner. "We have a policy of letting Kevin make up his own mind in his own time," he says. "At the time of the Brighton offer last season, he was just out of school and finding his feet in the game."

"There was plenty on his mind so we never pushed him. We left him to decide what he wanted for himself and to concentrate on his game. Advice and help, of course, are always there for Kevin from all of us at the club."

"Everyone has been tremendous in developing my game and giving me confidence," confirms Kevin. "The manager has placed no restrictions on me at all. He just encourages me to go out and do

what I'm best at — attacking from midfield."

This season, however, Brock is looking an even more complete player than in his dramatic breakthrough. "He is defending, when necessary, more effectively: his tackling is sharper and his heading much improved," assesses Asprey. "But in no way are we trying to smother his marvellous attacking flair."

"He has this hallmark of the finest players in the way he glides past defenders. His change of pace is very deceptive and he wrongfoots players coming at him by just a subtle shift of balance. His talent is exceptional."

"His attitude is far more positive as well. After all the headlines of last season, I waited until just before the start of this one in August before sitting down with him for a serious talk about his future."

"This time I could see that he wanted to be a real 'pro'. He had acquired all the confidence in the world and he left no doubts in my mind that he wasn't going to stop until he reached the First Division. We offered him a new three-year contract and he signed it happily."

Talent

In fact, Kevin has known from the start where he was heading. With a cluster of First Division clubs on his doorstep from the moment he demonstrated his talent in schoolboy football, he rejected them all to join Oxford.

"I thought that United represented the best chance of all to win a quick first team place," he says frankly. "Now I'm there, I'm looking to improve my game all the time."

The Brock temperament has also shown up impressively this season. "Some opposing crowds remember the Brighton business last season and they get after me. They seem to think I'm a big-head because I turned down a First Division club. Does it worry me? Not in the slightest!"

In the same way, he is unperturbed by a swiftly rising reputation among fellow professionals. "Yes, I am starting to find that I run into tight marking, but I have to learn how to handle that."

"It has taken Kevin 12 months to come to terms with all the demand of a professional career but he knows now what he wants," says Asprey. "He works very hard at his game and he is aware this club will act only in his best interests."



GOLDEN GOALS

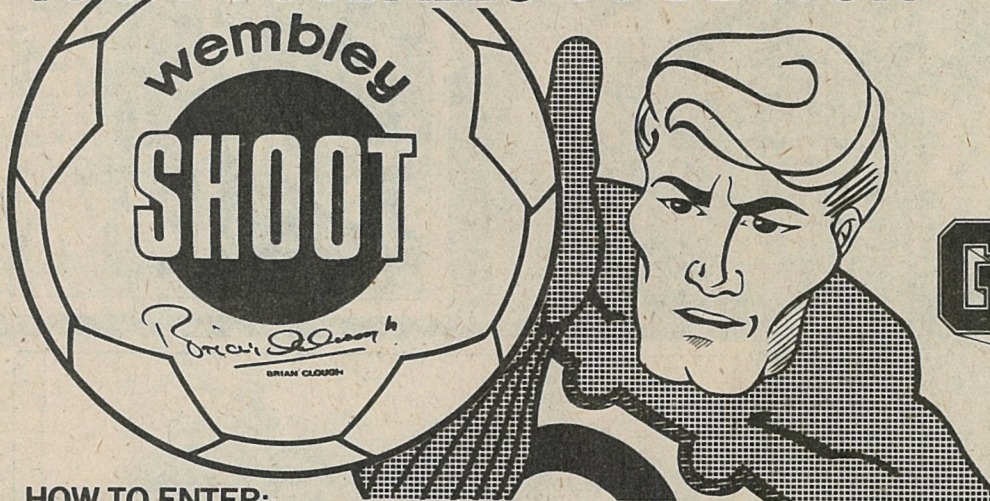
Manchester City 'keeper Joe Corrigan is powerless to stop this League Cup free-kick from Luton's Raddy Antic. But City won the tie 2-1. Another winner was Manchester United's Lou Macari (above), seen here netting in the 2-1 League victory at Nottingham Forest.

Dean Neal heads home for Q.P.R. against struggling Bristol City at Loftus Road (below), while Charlton's Martin Robinson blasts this spectacular effort against Exeter recently (foot of page).





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ONCE again the French stand between the Republic of Ireland and a place in the World Cup Finals.

In the 1978 competition, the Irish came out worst of the France-Bulgaria-Eire grouping and, even though they beat the French 1-0 in Dublin for their only victory, they lost 2-0 in Paris.

The question is, as Eoin Hand and his team head for a repeat confrontation in the Parc des Princes on the 28th, whether the Irish can improve on their generally poor away record and pick up a valuable point or two.

In France there's an air of quiet confidence as manager Michel

FRANCE v REP. OF IRELAND, Paris

'NEW' FRANCE HAVE PROBLEMS

Hidalgo prepares his side for the match, though Hidalgo remarks:

"We are taking this match very seriously indeed. I saw the Irish beat Holland, and there's no doubt that pulling on that green shirt motivates their players and inspires them to produce top form and maximum effort. They aren't usually the same force outside Dublin, and let's hope that they stay true to that tradition."

Strangely, Hidalgo's side will almost certainly bear little resemblance to the team that beat the Irish in 1977, nor to the team

that made a good impression in the 1978 World Cup Finals.

Hidalgo may well heed his critics and field Strasbourg's Dominique Dropsy between the posts, with Battiston, Tresor, Specht and Bossis forming the back-four.

Larios and Christophe are the favourites to join lynch-pin Platini in midfield, but Hidalgo still hasn't found a good solution to France's biggest problem in recent years — lack of goal-power. Although they scored seven in Cyprus, the real test comes against opposition of true class — such as Eire.

On the wings, he's undecided between the Nantes pair of Baronchelli and Amisse or Saint Etienne's Zimako and Roussey, while established names like Six and Rocheteau are out of favour.

No decent replacement has been found for Bernard Lacombe at the centre of the attack, and it says much for France's lack of effectiveness up-front that midfielder Platini has accounted for over half their goals recently.

What's more, the inclusion of three attackers alongside attack-minded midfielder Platini places a terrible strain on the other two midfielders, and there's genuine fear that Brady might be able to launch rapid counter-attacks.

France will run out on to the pitch at the Parc des Princes as warm favourites. But the media are pointing out that if the Irish can produce something like their home form, we could see a surprise.

Arsenal, Coventry and Birmingham. A better solution would be that the League postpone those games which involve Irish players for a week.

After such a good start in their group, it would be a shame if Eoin Hand had to field an under-strength side next week. Imagine an Irish side without the likes of David O'Leary, John Devine, Frank Stapleton, David Langan and Gerry Daly.

Both sides were also in the same qualifying group for Argentina, with each country winning their home match. Eire were unlucky to lose 2-0 in the Parc des Princes, but thanks to a Liam Brady goal, they got the points in the return game in Dublin.

France, have played only one game in the group to date — a 7-0 away win in Cyprus.

Paris has not been a lucky city for Eire in recent years. Apart from the defeat four years ago, they also lost a World Cup play-off game there against Spain in 1966. But if they have a full strength side next week they can take another step on the road to 'Espana '82'.



Liam Brady scores the only goal of the game on the last occasion the two sides met.

EIRE LOOK TO ENGLAND FOR HELP

EIRE continue their World Cup build-up with a trip to Paris on Tuesday next (28th). And it could be a very much under-strength Irish side who take on the French in what is their first home game in Group Two.

As soon as the dates for Group Two were announced the Irish knew that they had a problem on their hands. But, Peadar O'Driscoll, the FAI secretary, was quick to point out that they had not done badly out of the pairings.

With three home games this

autumn, the Irish had to accede to France's request to play the game on the 28th, even though they knew that it would clash with the Fourth Round of the League Cup.

Immediately the Irish officials knew that it would be difficult getting players released, especially in a week when England were not playing.

For months the FAI have adopted a wait-and-see policy, hoping that clubs with Eire internationals would be knocked out in the earlier rounds. But there have

been few shocks and no less than nine regulars are due to help their clubs in the League Cup next week.

Somebody discovered a U.E.F.A. rule which states that players have to be released for their country, but apparently this only applies to those who have signed contracts since October, 1978.

However, the FAI have had cordial relations with the English clubs in recent years and rather than invoke this rule they will rely on the goodwill of clubs like

Previous meetings: (Eire's score first)

23rd May, 1937 (Paris) 2-0
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30th March, 1977 (Dublin) 1-0

'United's has struck



OUT of the League Cup . . . out of Europe, but don't count Manchester United out of the Championship race. That's my warning to the cynics who've already written us off as failures this season.

I agree our early exit from the U.E.F.A. and League Cup competitions was a severe blow to the club. Apart from hurt pride, there are large cash rewards to be gained from these tournaments.

As I've already said in previous columns, United's injury crisis is one of the worst in the club's history. Not only have I, Joe Jordan and Ray Wilkins been sidelined, but now skipper Martin Buchan is out with a torn hamstring suffered against Widzew Lodz in Poland.

The loss of Martin is a tremend-

After a difficult and disappointing 1979-80 season, Everton are sure to prove a tougher task for United this time when they visit Old Trafford.

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ous set-back to the team. He has been playing so well this season, a colossus in defence holding the side together. Martin's influence helped United establish the best defensive record in the First Division.

There's been a suggestion of an injury jinx on Old Trafford. Now, you know I'm not the superstitious type — touch wood — but the present situation makes me wonder if there can be something in it . . . especially where I'm concerned.

Apart from the after-effects of my enforced comeback against Manchester City which put me out for a further two weeks, I was struck

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injury jinx again

Manchester United skipper Martin Buchan's absence from the centre of the defence through injury has been another blow to the club.

down by a mystery illness.

I could hardly speak because of an acute sore throat and headache. Apart from that I couldn't eat or drink anything without bringing it up. I was in a terrible state.

At least nine first team players have been out of action at one time or other this season. Few other clubs could have survived such a handicap.

The young lads and reserves who came into the team have performed extremely well. None has let the club or themselves down.

Our spirit and confidence is as strong as ever. Joe Jordan proved that by playing his heart out in our U.E.F.A. Cup-tie in Poland although nowhere near fully fit.

United drew 0-0 to go out of the competition on the away goals rule. Widzew Lodz held United 1-1 at Old Trafford.

Contention

Being out of Europe isn't the end of the world, or the season for United. As I've said we ARE still in contention for the title and there's still a little matter of the F.A. Cup to come in January.

What a lot of people have forgotten is the fact that up to the game away to table-topping Ipswich Town on October 18th, United had only lost once in the League, a 1-0 defeat at Wolves.

Not a bad record considering Dave Sexton hasn't been able to field his strongest side all season.

One lad I would like to give a special mention to is Mike Duxbury, who has broken through into the first team this season because of our casualty list.

Mike played striker at school in Accrington, but came to United as a midfielder. After a few 'A' and reserve team games, youth coach at the time Frank Blunstone, turned Mike into a sweeper.

Few youngsters have experienced such a dramatic climb into first team action than the 21-year-old, who made his full League debut in the derby match against Manchester City followed by a U.E.F.A. Cup-tie in Poland a few days later.

Mike made a tremendous impression with his skill and coolness under pressure. Obviously the name of Mike Duxbury is going to be sung on the terraces at Old Trafford for a long time to come.

It's not easy for youngsters to make the grade in top class professional football these days. Many seemingly outstanding prospects fall by the wayside, and only a handful ever make the grade.

I was talking to Mike recently and he told me he is the sole survivor of six apprentices taken on by United at the start of the 1976-77 season.

Mike remembers them well . . . Martin Rogers, who left the club a year ago to join Q.P.R. . . . John McDermott and Ian Cooke are out of the game . . . David Cork was released on a free transfer to Doncaster and Jeff Hunter, another free transfer, is with Crewe.

One out of six — so you can see how tough it is for lads with stars in their eyes.

Plenty of stars will be on view at Old Trafford this Saturday (October 25th) when United play hosts to Everton.

Last season everyone was speculating as to the future of Everton manager Gordon Lee, especially after the club had finished a dismal 19th in the First Division.

Now he's a hero on Merseyside as the team have staged a fantastic revival and are challenging strongly for Liverpool's Championship crown.

Their new attacking policy, with improved organisation, is really paying dividends.

From what I've seen and been told, Asa Hartford, Peter Eastoe, Joe McBride and Steve McMahon, who has filled Andy King's position, are Everton's four stars this season.

After a run of six successive League victories, their best in ten years, they were beaten by Leeds, but they will still be a tough team to beat.

I'm particularly pleased for my old pal Asa Hartford. He came in for a lot of criticism after his short stay at Nottingham Forest, and has emerged as the great midfield force he really is.

Also the appointment of Geoff Nulty as assistant-manager was a master move by Gordon Lee.

I admired Geoff as a player with Burnley, Everton and Newcastle. His inspiration and discipline on and off the field is of enormous benefit to the club. It wouldn't surprise me if he becomes a top manager in his own right one day.

I can't wish Geoff and Everton well for Saturday, as I expect United to win, but I do hope they find success this season. A club with their proud tradition and name deserves to be back at the very top.

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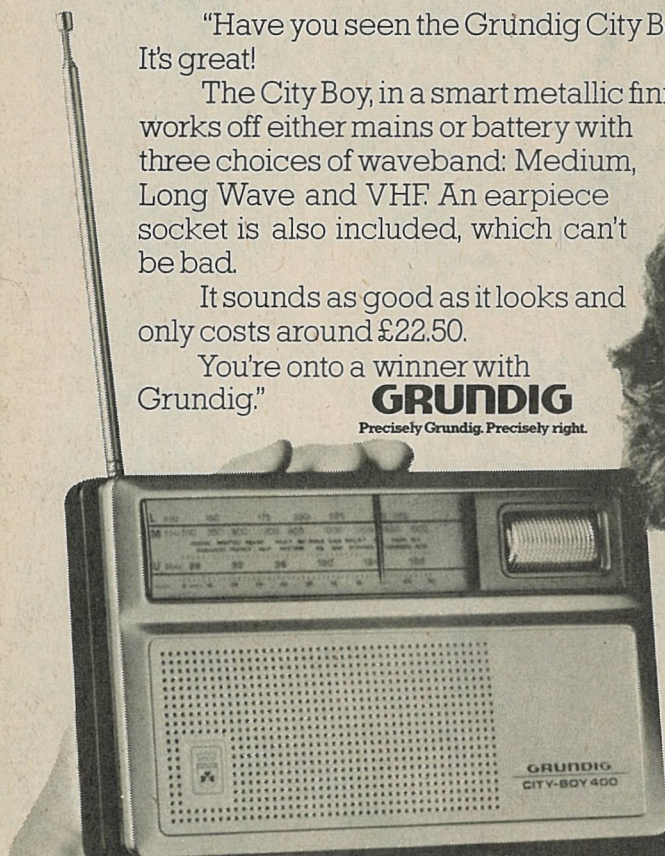
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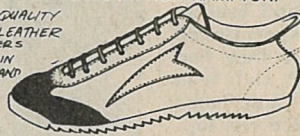
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JOHN WARK is the Talk of the Town



IF football was played on paper, then you'd have a hard job making out a case against Ipswich Town carrying off the First Division title by a mile at the end of the season — even at this early stage.

The reasoning behind such a bold assumption is simple.

Over the last two years their form during the second half of each season has been by far and away the most impressive in the First Division.

Just two defeats following the turn of the year in the 1978-79 season saw them finish the campaign in sixth place. And last season, during the same period, they did even better, losing just once, and that was their last game of the season, as they powered into third place behind Liverpool and Manchester United.

The big disappointment, of course, was that on both occasions the side took so long to get into their stride. Their opening gambits were nothing short of disastrous, in fact. They even looked like candidates for relegation.

Better

But this season, all that has changed. The Suffolk side have gone off like a train. And if, as they've shown in the past, they repeat the process of getting better as the season goes on, then who is going to catch them?

As John Wark, their Scottish international midfielder player says: "At last we've made the kind of start we've all been hoping for."

"No one here is getting overconfident, or anything like that. We're all far too experienced for that. There's still a very long way to go, and anything can happen. But I do believe we've found the right blend of players, and perhaps more important, the right style to suit them."

"And I honestly feel we can stay out in front all the way to the winning post."

Wark, whose determination and drive in the middle of the park, coupled with his dynamic long-range shooting, has made him a firm favourite with the Portman

Road fans, is currently playing a vital role in that style of play he spoke of.

Wark operates as an inverted sweeper, i.e., playing in front of the back four, picking up the ball deep in his own half, and using it to feed his midfield partners Arnold Muhren and Frans Thijssen.

But don't think John's contribution ends there. His potent finishing has been instrumental in keeping the Ipswich side in early-season overdrive.

"Like the team as a whole, as far as scoring is concerned, I've enjoyed a tremendous opening spell," says Wark. "In our first 15 games I scored 12 goals, and that has come as a welcome bonus."

"I've always enjoyed scoring! But the confidence my early burst has given me makes me feel as if I can score in every match, and I'm beginning to believe this could turn into my best ever season."

"Of course, I'm aware that teams will try to mark me more tightly now. But I'm not worried. In any case, the more they worry about me, the more likely they are to let in someone else."

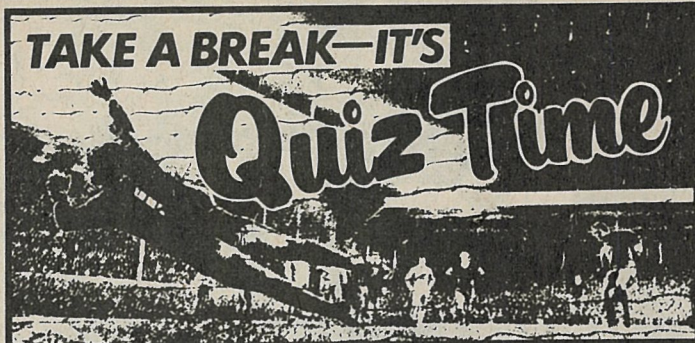
Not surprisingly, Wark's tremendous early-season form has earned him a recall to the full Scotland squad after being discarded by manager Jock Stein.

"My Ipswich team-mate George Burley, who was in the squad for the World Cup game in Sweden, told me that Mr Stein was asking about my fitness and form, so I had a suspicion that I might be recalled for the game against Portugal."

"But gaining a recall to the squad does not mean I can afford to relax. Now I really have to show the Scottish fans what I am capable of."

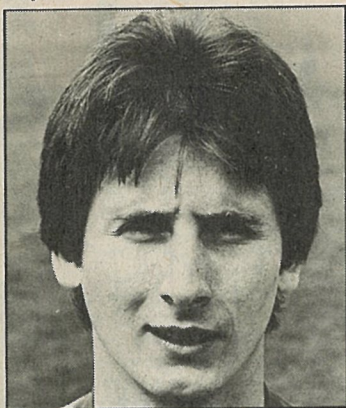
"I'm certainly enjoying my football and the kind of freedom I'm getting in my role at Ipswich at the moment — as I think my current form illustrates."

"And like the rest of the lads, I'll be looking to build on what we've achieved so far, to ensure that this is one story that's not only got a happy beginning, but will have an even happier end."



TRUE OR FALSE?

1. Scottish Second Division club East Fife play their home games at Bayview Park.



2. Glenn Roeder (above) became the fourth Queens Park Rangers player to be sent-off this season when he received his marching orders against Orient in a Second Division game at Loftus Road this month.

3. Manchester City's Dennis Tueart is a full England international player.

PAST STARS...

1. Billy Bremner won 54, 64 or 74 full Scotland caps during his distinguished career with Leeds United?

2. Jimmy Armfield made 568 League appearances for Blackpool, Bolton Wanderers or Birmingham City between 1952 and 1971?

3. Did Billy Wright skipper Wolves to their last F.A. Cup Final triumph

against Blackburn Rovers at Wembley in 1960?

4. Dixie Dean, the Everton record goalscorer, was christened William, John or Albert?

...AND PRESENT

1. John Seasman is scoring goals for which Third Division club this season?

2. Can you name the player-manager of Walsall?

3. He played for two London clubs helping them to glory both home and abroad, before moving to East Anglia. He is at present starring in the Third Division as player-coach. Can you identify him?

4. Glen Johnson keeps goal for which Football League side?

FULL-BACKS

Study the following clues and see if you can identify the full-backs.

1. He made 188 League appearances plus five as substitute for Leeds United before being transferred to a Midlands club.

2. Was voted one of the best full-backs in the 1974 World Cup Finals in West Germany as he starred for Scotland. Was unfortunate to miss the 1978 Finals in Argentina through injury. One-club man who skips them in the Premier Division.

3. Tipped by many to be a future England defender after consistent performances for the Under-21 and B sides. His manager Ron Atkinson believes him to be one of the best.

ANSWERS:

TRUE OR FALSE? 1. True. 2. False — he was the third. 3. True. 4. William. PAST STARS. 1. 54. 2. Blackpool. 3. No. Bill Slater. FULL-BACKS. 1. Frank Gray of Aldershot. 2. Alan Buckley. 3. Martin Peters of Sheffield United. 4. Statham of West Brom. Denny McGrain. 3. Derek Nottingham Forest. 2. Celtic's

ON THE BALL ANSWERS

ACROSS: (3) Final. (4) Greg Downs. (10) Cuffs. (12) George. (13) Stoop. (14) Liner. (16) Brady. (17) Avenue. (18) Field. (19) Yorkshire. (22) Scale.

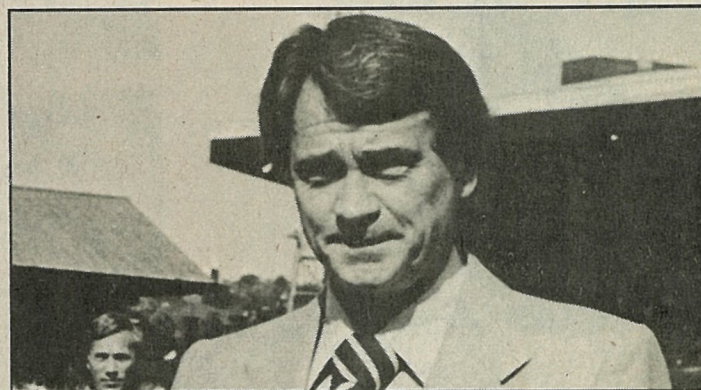
DOWN: (1) King. (2) Lato. (4) Gerry Daly. (5) Excel. (6) Defenders. (7) Was. (8) St. Etienne. (9) Henry. (11) Bonus. (15) Radii. (18) Fur. (20) Kick. (21) Hill.

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Jankovic wants to stay longer

BOSCO Jankovic is in his second season with Middlesbrough. And the striker from Yugoslavia is hoping that the 1980-81 term is happier for him than the previous one.

"I didn't show my best form in my first few months with the club," explains Bosco. "I was also on the injured list for a while, and I couldn't blame our manager, Mr Neal, when he dropped me from the side in February.

"That was a new experience for me, as in my ten years of football in Yugoslavia I had never been left out of the team line up — I had always enjoyed having a regular place with Zejznicar. At Middlesbrough, it was especially disappointing to lose my place after I had started my first season well in games against Tottenham and Manchester City.

"But now I'm back in the first team squad I'm determined to stay there, and I've the extra encouragement of playing alongside talented team-mates, including David Hodgson, Craig Johnston and Mark Proctor.

frequently made and players receive a lot of hard knocks.

"In other respects, I've found differences between English football and the Continental game. For example, the goalkeepers on the Continent are more spectacular, making the most of every save. But all round, I would say there is little to choose between the goalkeepers abroad and those in Britain.

"And back home, football is more technical, more thoughtful, played at a slower pace. You get time and space to use the ball. In England, things happen so quickly that you are under almost constant pressure, and the season lasts nine months without a break — in Yugoslavia, football isn't played during November, December and January, so that your body becomes used to training and playing at certain times of the year."

Jankovic, who is a qualified lawyer, talks intelligently on First Division Championship prospects, including the title chances of his own club.

BORO BOOST FROM BOSCO

"In England, there is a big emphasis placed on physical fitness, and I work hard to stay in good condition, harder than we do in Yugoslavia — but I'm used to it now."

One aspect of English life which Jankovic finds difficult to become adjusted to is crowd violence, something he had never encountered in his own country.

"I like playing in front of the enthusiastic crowds in England, yet the fighting and hooliganism which sometimes erupts is bad for the game. The incident after our match at Ayresome Park against Nottingham Forest, when a fan was killed, was tragic. And on the Continent, where the English have had a reputation for good sportsmanship, people find it hard to believe that football supporters need to resort to fighting."

However, in spite of trouble on the terraces, Bosco would like to continue playing in this country when his contract with Middlesbrough ends in 1981.

"I signed a two-year contract, so at the end of this season I will have to give serious thought to my future. I am happy with Middlesbrough, and would like to continue playing in the First Division, where the game is demanding but not as robust as in Yugoslavia. In England, there is protection from the tackle behind, but in my country this tackle is

He says: "Liverpool, Ipswich and Nottingham Forest are three clubs I expect to see closely contesting for top place, and I fully expect Middlesbrough to finish in a higher position than they did last season, when they were ninth, especially after beating Norwich 6-1 earlier this month."

"For myself, I want to help Middlesbrough as much as possible. I think I've shown the fans I can play. What I haven't done is prove I can do it consistently."

"And as I am 30 now, and intend playing for only two more seasons, the incentive is there for me to make a special effort now."



Craig Johnston takes a tumble during Middlesbrough's 6-1 thrashing of Norwich recently.



FOCUS ON ASA HARTFORD EVERTON

FULL NAME: Richard Asa Hartford
BIRTHPLACE: Clydebank, Dumbartonshire
BIRTHDATE: October 24, 1950
HEIGHT: 5ft 5½ins
WEIGHT: 70kilos
PREVIOUS CLUBS: WBA, Manchester City, Nottm. Forest
MARRIED: To Joy
CHILDREN: Joanna (5) and Stuart (2)
CAR: Rover 3500
FAVOURITE NEWSPAPER: Daily Mail
FAVOURITE PLAYER: John Robertson
MOST PROMISING TEAM-MATE: Steve McMahon
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Manchester City
FOOTBALL HERO OF CHILDHOOD: Denis Law
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Golf, tennis and squash
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENTS: Billy Bremner and Alan Ball
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: Scotland winning 2-1 against England at Wembley in 1977
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Losing last season's F.A. Cup Semi-Final replay
FRIENDLIEST AWAY FANS: It may sound cynical but I haven't found any particularly friendly

FAVOURITE FOOD + DRINK Scampi cooked in butter, tea
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES AND DISLIKES: My kids, salt and vinegar crisps/smoking, fish bones
FAVOURITE HOLIDAY RESORT: Anywhere as long as the sun shines
FAVOURITE T.V. STAR, MALE AND FEMALE: Walter Matthau, Beryl Reid
FAVOURITE ACTIVITY ON DAY OFF: A day at the races
FAVOURITE SINGERS: Rod Stewart, Police, Booker T & The MG's
AFTER-MATCH ROUTINE: I think it comes under unwinding
BEST FRIEND: I have a few, amongst which football fans will recognise the names of Len Cantello, Mike Channon, Joe Royle and Willie Donachie
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Stuart Williams, a coach at WBA who showed interest in me when I was 16 and gave me encouragement when it looked as if I was too frail to make it
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: 6 Youth, 1 Under 21, 5 Under 23 and 37 full Scottish caps
PERSONAL AMBITION: To be a good father and for my children to be happy and content in life
IF NOT A PLAYER, WHAT JOB WOULD YOU DO? Basketball player
WHICH PERSON IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET? Sammy Davis Jnr

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